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BATTLE OF THE TANKS

THRILLING STORY OF DIRECT CLASH

Paris, To-day. A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT with the French armies tells a thrilling story of a battle between French and German tanks in the Borg Forest.

Details of the encounter were given the correspondent by a French officer who witnessed the battle.

As the French tanks were lumbering forward through woody land, German tanks came out to meet them.

GERMAN SQUADRON ELUDES THE NAVY

London, To-day. The Admiralty announced last night that a British naval squadron tried to engage enemy warships, who were reported to be off the south-west coast of Norway on Sunday afternoon.

The enemy warships got away in the darkness.

In the north-east area of the North Sea there have been numerous attacks by German bombers on British cruisers and destroyers.

No British ship has been damaged. The German casualties are not known. — Reuter.

10,000 MISSING IN SAAR EVACUATION

London, To-day. German radio station have been broadcasting long lists of people whose whereabouts are unknown.

They are urgently asked to report their whereabouts immediately.

Some 10,000 names were given, and their former addresses show that most of them come from the Saar district.

This seems to indicate that the Saar was evacuated in such a hurry that the authorities do not know what has become of the evacuees. — Reuter.

Firing broke out at close range without any supporting infantry or screening aeroplanes.

The opposing tanks blazed away at each other for hours at point-blank range, and the German tanks fell out one by one, their armour plating pierced and the crews dead.

The French tanks then resumed their advance.

ACTIVITY OF PATROLS

Last night's French war communique says there was very great activity by German patrols between the Moselle and the Saar.

Artillery on both sides was active from the Moselle to the Rhine.

DEPARTURE POSTPONED

Helsinki, To-day. The Finnish delegation which was to have left for Moscow yesterday to conduct "negotiations," postponed its departure until to-day.

Reason is that all questions of a political nature must be approved by the Finnish Parliament before any pact is signed. — Reuter.

ATTACKS ON NAVAL CRAFT

London, To-day. During yesterday repeated actions have taken place in the north-eastern areas of the North Sea between German bombing aircraft and British cruisers and destroyers.

No British ship has been damaged. The enemy casualties are unknown. — Reuter.

ANOTHER U-BOAT SUNK

Paris, To-day. It is officially announced that a French naval patrol has sunk a German submarine. — Reuter.

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ANOTHER BRILLIANT R.A.F. EXPLOIT

London, To-day.

For the first time, four British planes have just carried out daylight reconnaissance flights the whole way along the German frontier from France to the North Sea, says "Eye-Witness," with the Air Force in France.

They went to investigate reports received at headquarters with regard to the evacuation of important German cities, big troop movements near Aix-la-Chapelle, significant concentrations of aircraft, and intensive building of fortifications near the Luxembourg frontier etc.

Experts are now studying the results of the flights and it is understood that photographs taken by the planes are expected to be of the utmost value.

The machines went in pairs from a secret aerodrome behind the Maginot Line. — Reuter.

U.S. NOT APPROACHED TO INTERCEDE FOR PEACE

Washington, To-day. The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, stated yesterday that the United States had not been approached by either Germany, Britain or France to intercede for peace. — Reuter.

SOUR GRAPES SUPREME

Shanghai, To-day. The Japanese never intended to occupy Changsha, capital of Hunan Province, declared the Japanese Army Spokesman, at yesterday evening's press conference.

The so-called drive on Changsha, he said, was really intended to inflict heavy damage on the Chinese

troops in North-East Hunan. Chinese losses were 240,000, according to the Japanese spokesman, and of these 60,000 were allegedly "wiped out."

Having achieved their purpose, the Japanese withdrew to positions originally held on September 15!

The spokesman added that Chinese claims of victories were really due to the fact that they walked into positions which had been intentionally evacuated by Japanese troops. — Reuter.

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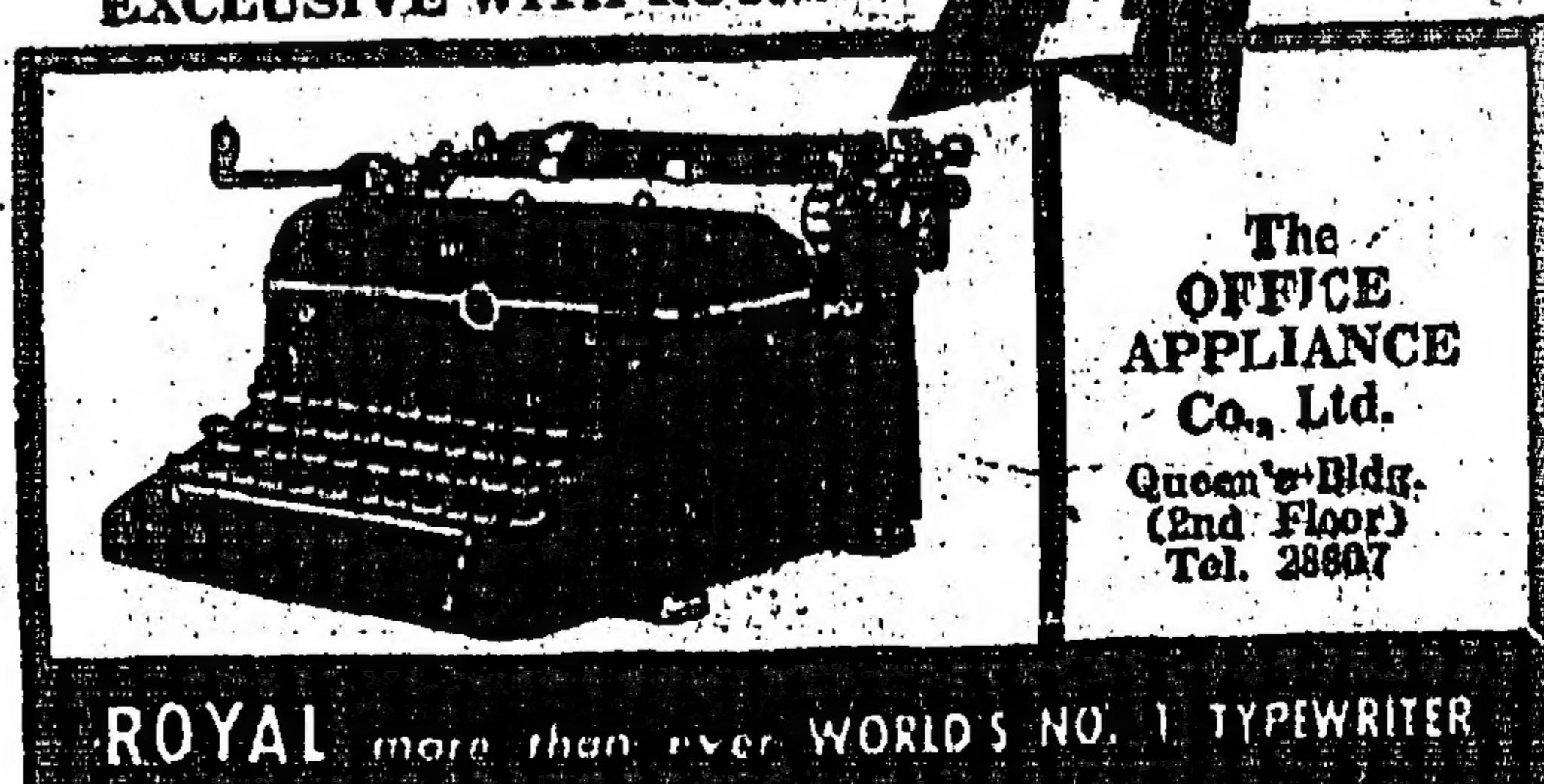
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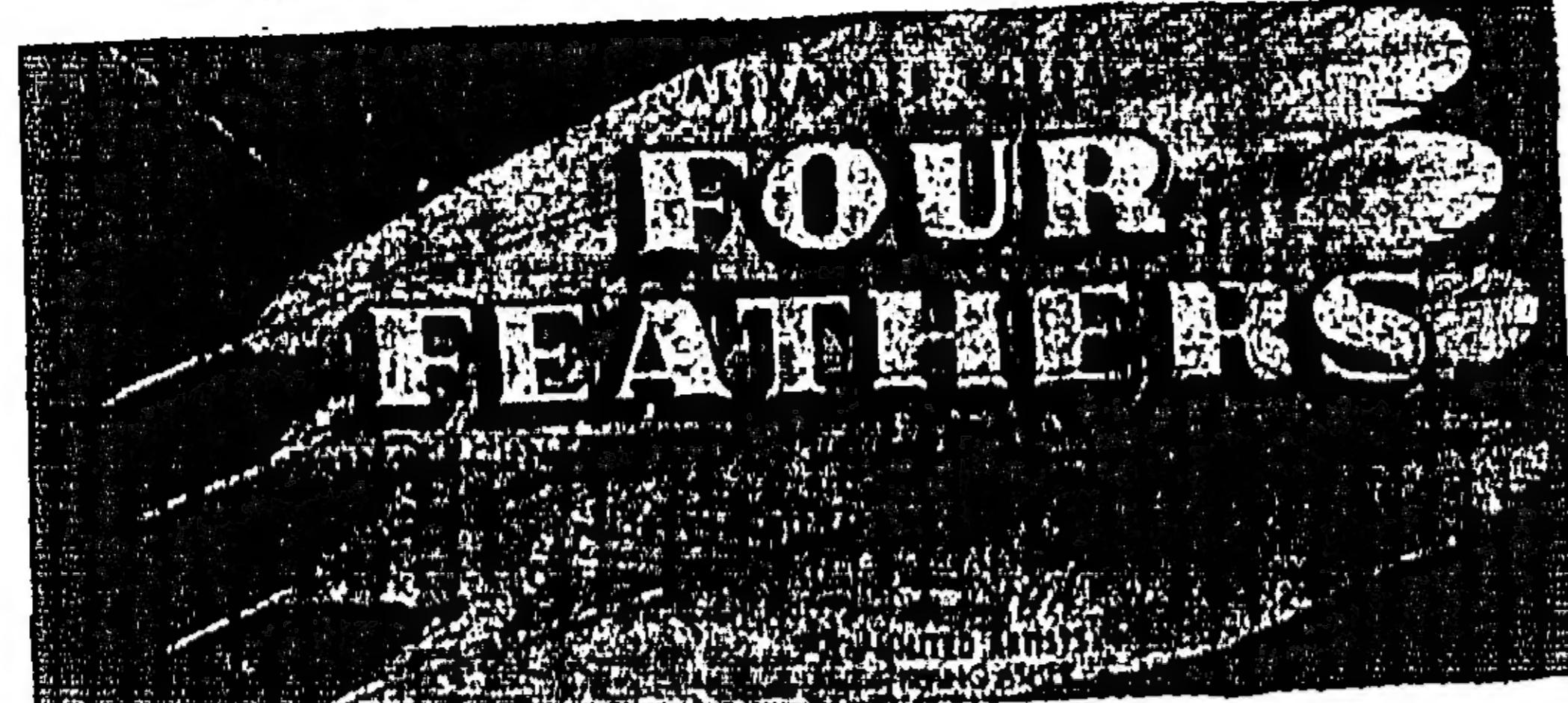


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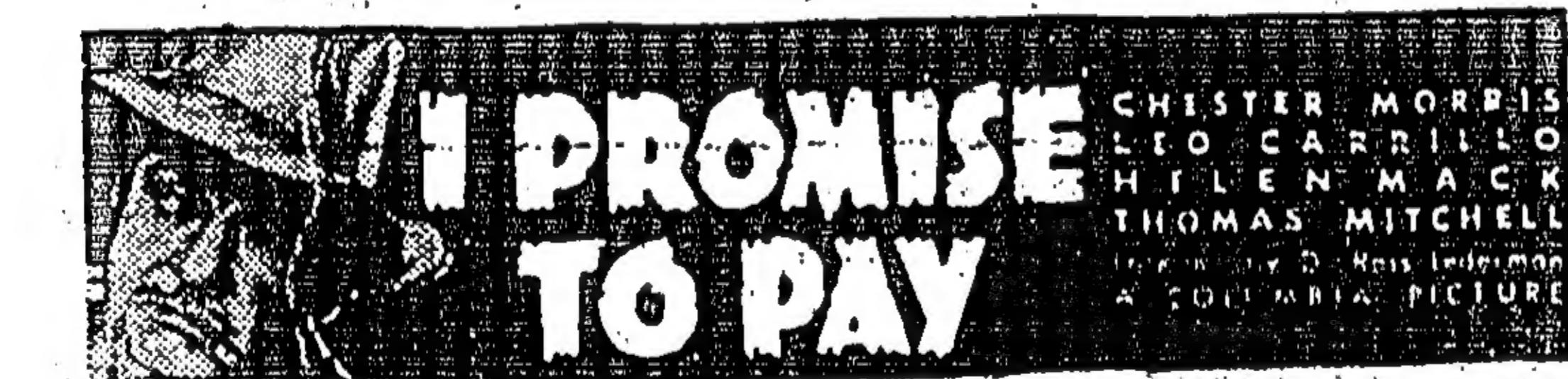
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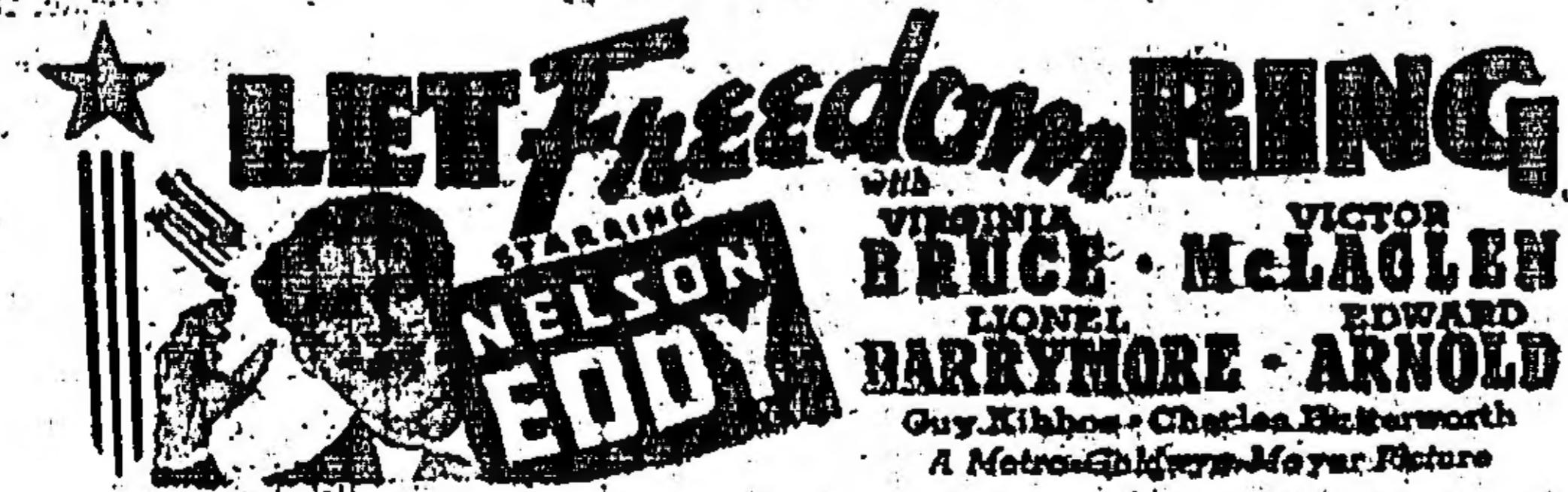
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CZECHS FORCED INTO GERMANY: CONDITIONS IN CENTRAL EUROPE

A FORCED MIGRATION of Czech peoples from Bohemia and Moravia into Germany and of Germans from the Italian Tirol into Czech districts is now under way on a considerable scale, it was reported by the Rev. and Mrs. Waitstill H. Sharp, who have just returned after six months refugee work in Central Europe.

This migration is a part of a broad German programme to scatter and reduce the Czech peoples as to make it difficult to maintain group strength or retain natural unity, pending a day of liberation, the Sharps declared.

The movement of Czech workmen, shorn of their homes, into Germany proper began more than three months ago and when the Sharps left Prague 265,000 had been migrated from the country, according to the most authentic reports then available.

MIGRATION OF GERMANS

The corresponding migration of Germans from the Italian Tirol into the Czech districts had been under way only about a month before the Sharps prepared to return to the United States.

Would this transposition of Czech workers have the desired effect of undermining the national unity, both in Czech districts and in the groups moved away? The interview indicated the affirmative.

First, the man power of the Czechs has already been weakened by the loss of 265,000 men. This loss is regarded as serious by Czech leaders. Second, as the families follow the fathers—quite naturally encouraged to do so—by German deputies—the children, more susceptible to propaganda, definitely come under German influence.

Likewise disturbing to the Czechs as a factor undermining national strength is the deposition of the Germans both from the Italian Tyrol and from some parts of Germany proper in Bohemia. These groups being settled in various parts of the country, particularly in the great Czech forests, while disrupting the national unity of Bohemia—even though a protectorate—were regarded obstacles to a Czech revolt for freedom, if that opportunity presents itself.

RADICAL DECREES

Of the various decrees designed to break down Czech spirit and unity, one of the most radical is that which prohibits the transfer of property, real estate, from one Czech to another.

In the view of the Sharps, the Czech people are thus being "broken"—the workmen compelled to migrate and disperse, the Czech properties decreed to Germans, and Germans imported to live in the Czech districts. To Mr. Sharp—son of the late Prof. Dallas Lore Sharp of Boston University—it

PLOT TO MURDER HITLER?

London, Oct. 3.

According to the Copenhagen correspondent of the "Daily Express," it is understood that Herr Heinrich Himmler, dreaded chief of the German Secret Police, recently unearthed a plot to murder Hitler last week.

Despite the close secrecy maintained, the correspondent adds, it is learned that several Brownshirts from Hitler's personal bodyguard are implicated.

This, he points out, explains why it was suddenly announced that a new bodyguard was being organized for the Fuehrer under the leadership of Herr Dietrich, whose fame goes back to the purge days of the Nazi party in June 1934 and who is known as the chief Nazi executioner.—Havas.

GERMAN REFUGEES VOLUNTEERING

London, Oct. 3.

German refugees in South Africa are freely offering their services to the authorities, the Ministry of Information announced to-day. The volunteers include men who in the past served with the German or Austrian armies. A large registration list is expected throughout the country.—Havas.

is more than a forced demolition of a nation. It is such a complete conquering of one nation by another that the effect will be to reduce the status of the defeated peoples to that of "paid serfs." Nothing higher. And this is the future that awaits the people of every small nation in Europe, he believes, if the present German Government is not thwarted.

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OFFICIAL ATHENIA DEATHROLL

London, To-day. Ninety-three passengers of the Athenia are officially reported missing, according to a list issued last night which comprises 50 British, 30 Americans, seven Poles, four Germans and two stateless.

Previously 19 of the crew were reported missing, making the total casualties 112.—Reuter.

MOSCOW SURVEY OF SITUATION

Moscow, To-day.

Negotiations due to open to-morrow between the Soviet and Finland are expected to round off the expansion of Soviet interests in relation to her Baltic neighbours.

By pacts with Estonia, Latvia and forthcoming agreements with Lithuania and Finland, the great Soviet aim of freeing Leningrad as a naval and air base from the bottle-neck of the Gulf of Finland which gave any enemy a easy means of preventing the exit of the Baltic fleet will have been achieved.

To complete the programme, the Russians may seek neutralisation of any threat from the southern coast of Finland confronting the Gulf.

AALAND ISLANDS

It is logical to believe that Moscow would also like the control of the Aaland Islands as a base from which ultimately to control Swedish exports to Germany.

Observers are wondering if the Soviet-Lithuanian Pact will conform to the Estonian and Latvian pacts which mentioned the name of the land frontiers whence the attacks might come.

SOVIET PROBLEM

In the case of Lithuania, it would be necessary to explicitly mention the name of the German territory of Memel and East Prussia.

The crucial point of this pact is whether Moscow is prepared to offend Berlin by insisting on the fortification of the Lithuanian-German frontier.—Reuter.

FINLAND MOBILISING

Helsinki, To-day. While the Finnish delegate M. Paasikivi is en route to Moscow, Finland continues to call her reservists to the colours.

Many schools in the Viborg area, which is nearest the Soviet frontier, have been taken over by troops.

It is emphasised in political circles that this is purely a precautionary measure as it is hoped that the Moscow talks will result in a friendly agreement.—Reuter.

SOVIET BROWBEATING ATTEMPT WILL AROUSE THE WHOLE OF SCANDINAVIA

Helsinki, To-day.

THE FINNISH Foreign Minister, in a statement yesterday on the Russian demand for "negotiations," declared: "I know nothing of any territorial demands."

Russia has not raised specified questions, but it is quite normal for one country to make such a request of another.

"We stand by our Northern neutrality, and we will not adhere to any great Power or group of Powers."

The statement is regarded as a reply to Stalin's reported demand for four Finnish islands.

A Norwegian newspaper yesterday stated that any effort to extract concessions from Finland by force would be regarded with the deepest indignation all over Scandinavia.—Reuter.

NOT SO TRACTABLE

Stockholm, To-day.

An implication that M. Paasikivi, the Finnish representative now on a visit to Moscow, has not proved so tractable as recent Baltic States representatives have been called to Moscow, is contained in despatches by the Finnish correspondents of the newspapers "Helsinki Correspondent" and "Svenska Bladet."

The despatches declare that Finland cannot agree with any proposal conflicting with her participation in the northern neutrality bloc.

In an interview, Dr. Erkko, the Finnish Foreign Minister, is reported to have declared: "M. Paasikivi only goes to take note of Russia's desires and whatever these may be, our position is clear.

"We stand by northern neutrality; we threaten none; seek no advantage and will adhere to any great power or group.—Reuter.

WILL NOT SUBMIT

Stockholm, To-day.

A Swedish newspaper stated yesterday that Finland will not submit to Russian dictation and cannot surrender a foot of Finnish soil.—Reuter.

RUSSIA'S DEMANDS

London, To-day.

The Polish Embassy in Paris has sent a letter to the new President of Poland expressing the hope that he could co-operate closely not only now, in the hour of struggle, but continually.

The President has replied that he

FINNISH STEAMER SUNK

London, To-day. A message from Amsterdam says that a 2,026-ton Finnish timber vessel was sunk by a mine off Terschelling yesterday.

It is believed the crew were saved.—Reuter.

willingly joins them to help their glorious country.—Reuter.

PACT RATIFIED

London, To-day.

The Havas agency reports that Russia is demanding the right to quarter four divisions, or about 40,000 men, in Estonia, and twice as many in Latvia.—Reuter.

KING'S VISIT TO FLEET

London, To-day.

During his two-day visit to the North, the King, during an inspection of a shore base, went on board minesweepers, patrol vessels, drifters and tugs.

When he visited a neighbouring town, His Majesty was given a rousing reception by large crowds, who had been informed of the visit just previously by the Town Crier.—Reuter.

SOVIET'S PLANS FOR LITHUANIA

Kaunas, To-day.

The Lithuanian delegates have returned from Moscow to report to the President on the progress of the talks.

After receiving fresh instructions they were expected to return to Moscow immediately, possibly yesterday.

It is reported that the Soviet proposals include the establishment of heavy fortifications on the Lithuanian-German frontier which has been prolonged through the partition of Poland.

Other proposals include the status of the Vilna district and the transit of goods through Lithuania to Libau.

The question of the repatriation of 30,000 Germans who for centuries have been resident in Lithuania, may arise this week.

Loyal German leaders have been informed of the Reich's wishes in this connection.

It is believed that only a portion willingly agree to the repatriation plan.—Reuter.

CABINET MEETING

Kaunas, To-day.

The Lithuanian delegation which has been in Moscow to discuss the Russian demands, flew back to Kaunas yesterday.

Shortly after their return to Kaunas a Council of Ministers was called.

It is reported that Russia is to obtain the right to construct air bases in Lithuania, who will obtain in return territory in former Poland.

Areas in the Vilna district inhabited by Lithuanians are mentioned.—Reuter.

LOUD SPEAKERS ON WESTERN FRONT

Paris, To-day.

For the first time, the Germans have installed powerful loud-speakers on the western front.

Broadcasts have been delivered in French and German of selected passages from Hitler's speech.—Reuter.



Mae West and W. C. Fields, two of the most colourful personalities of the entertainment world, will be co-starred by Universal Studios in a motion picture spectacle of frontier days. Above, Fields and Miss West are shown after they had signed their contracts to appear in the new production which will be one of the most costly in the history of Universal.

BELGIAN EXPERT IN U.S.A.

Brussels, Oct. 3.
M. Paul Van Zeeland, former Premier of Belgium and a noted economic expert, is leaving with his family to-morrow for Paris and Bordeaux from where he will board a vessel for the United States.

M. Van Zeeland will go to Washington to discuss the International refugee problem at a meeting called by President Roosevelt for the middle of October.—Havas.

"PACK UP YOUR GOEBBELS"

The British "Tommies" marching off to war prefer the martial songs their fathers made famous, with variations to fit the occasion, it appeared to-day.

"Tipperary" still is the most popular, and is unchanged from world war days. But "Pack Up Your Troubles" has become:

"Pack up your Goebbel in your old kit bag and heil, heil, heil;

"While there's a Ribbentrop to light your fag, smile, boys, all the while;

"What's the use of Goering? He never was worth while;

"So pack up your troubles in old Hitler's bag and heil, heil, heil."

The war office was reported to have termed the new version "jolly good."

"Mademoiselle from Armentiers" is gone, but her daughter is here. The new version starts:

"Everything's très bon, we're off to meet Yvonne, the daughter of Mademoiselle from Armentieres."

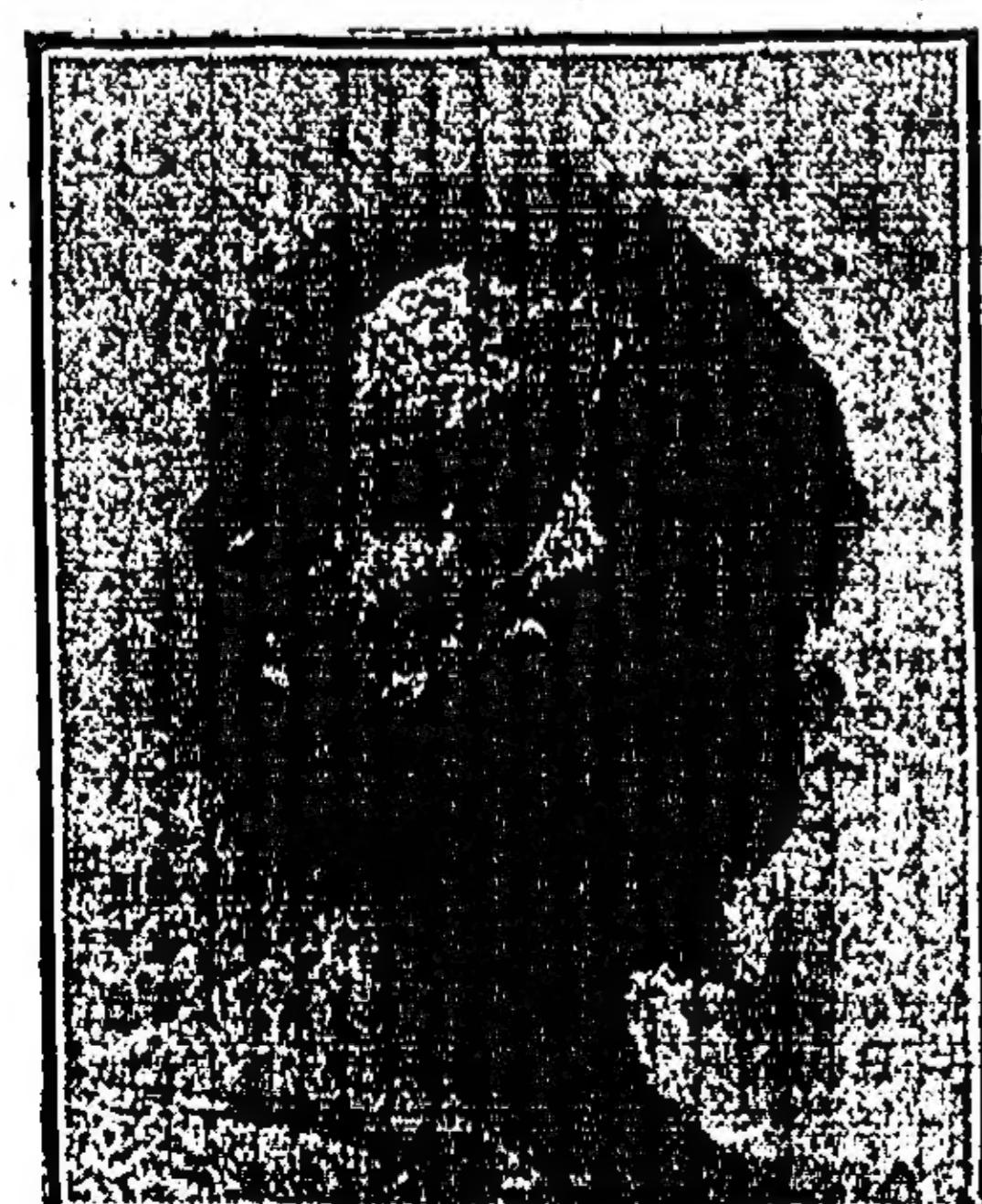
AMERICAN FRIENDS OF FRANCE FORMED

Miss Anne Morgan, sister of J. P. Morgan, the financier, whose "American Committee for Devastated France" helped the needy during the World War, announced in Paris the formation of a similar organization to function in this war.

It will be known as the "American Friends of France," and will work closely with French military authorities to render aid to persons forced to leave their homes, place children in schools, and supply medical attention for refugees.

35,000 CHILDREN TO EVACUATE LONDON

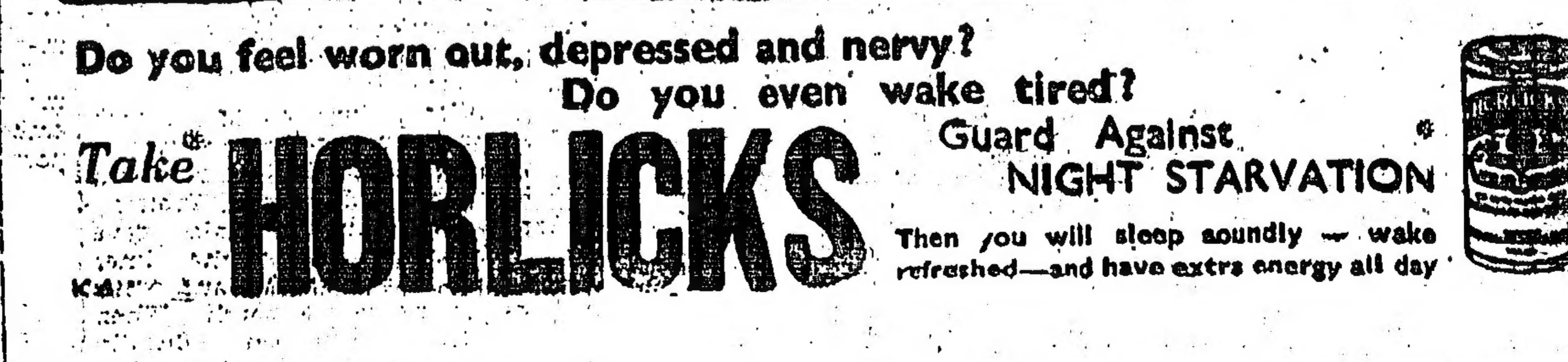
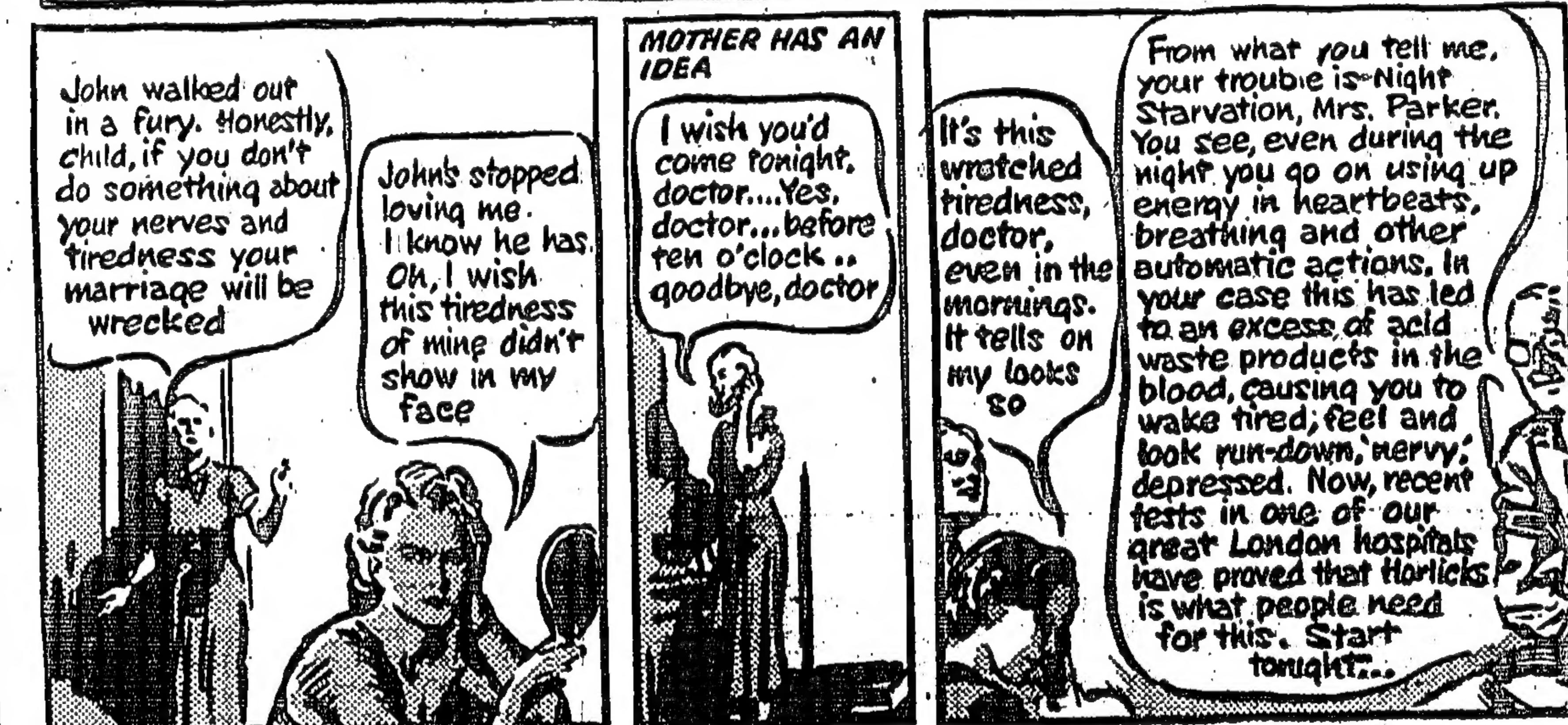
London, October 2.
Thirty-five thousand schoolchildren gradually would be evacuated from London the Information Ministry announced to-day.—Havas.



A well-known actor—do you recognize him? To give you the trouble? It is 27-year-old John Clements made up for his role in Alexander Korda's spectacle, "The Four Feathers," at the King's Theatre.

MOTHERS ARE OFTEN PEACEMAKERS

Mother and daughter are lunching together in town, when they see the daughter's husband in the same restaurant, but not alone...



Do you feel worn out, depressed and nervy?

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MYSTERY SUBMARINE OFF FLORIDA

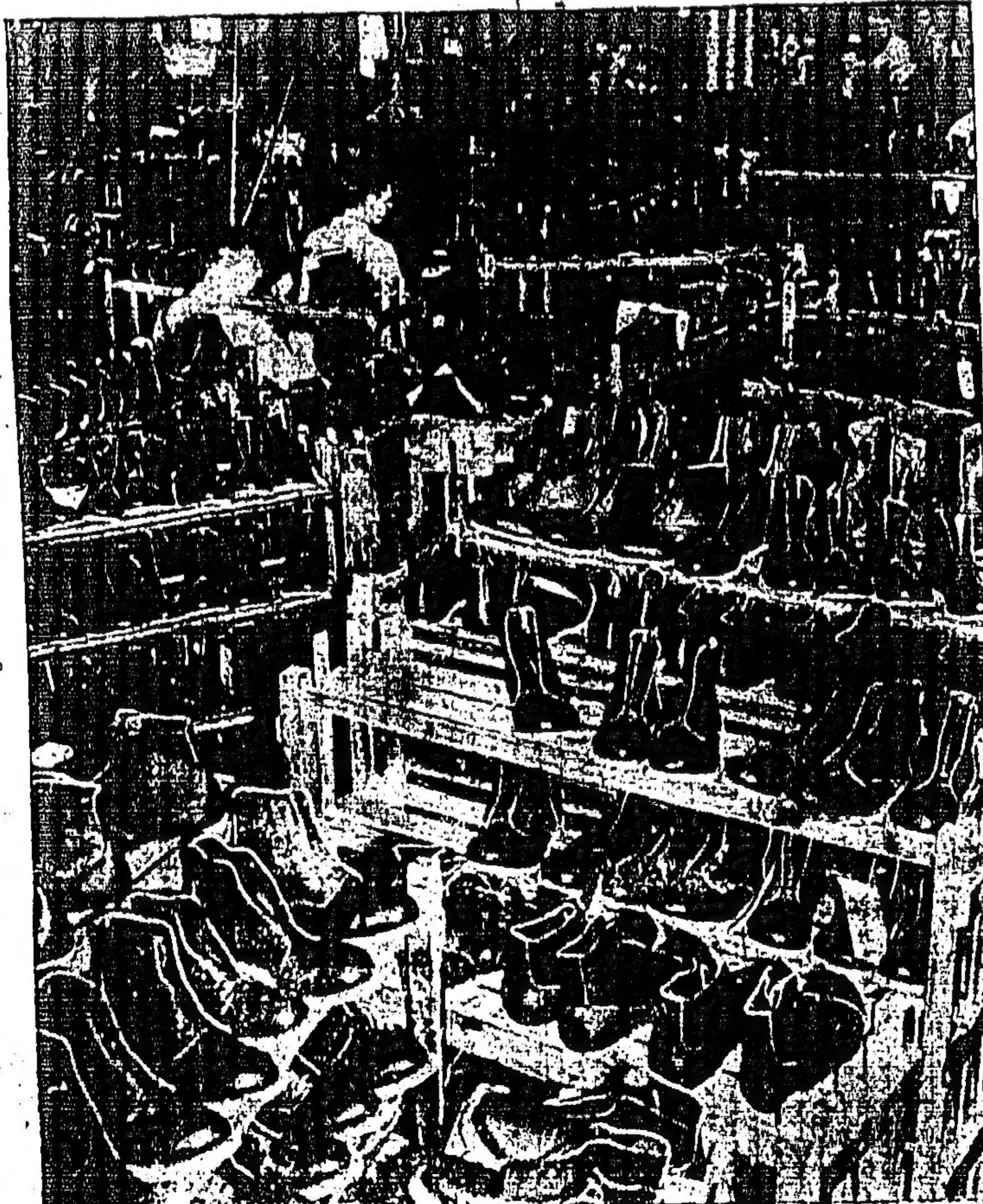
Washington, To-day. A non-American submarine, accompanied by two non-American tankers, was sighted yesterday about 20 miles off the coast of Florida by American naval patrols. Mr. Stephen Early, President Roosevelt's secretary, said the submarine was a comparatively small type, and was possibly the same craft that was seen off Florida on Saturday.—Reuter.

OFFICIAL REASON FOR MOVE

Berlin, To-day. The official "Diplomatische Korrespondenz" explanation of the transference of Germans from the Baltic States is that the move is in accordance with Hitler's programme to undertake the transference of population in the East in the interest of a far-sighted regulation of European life.

Steps have already been taken to bring back 10,000 Germans who can do useful work in the provinces regained by Germany and restore the German order there.

The journal adds that the movement proves that Germany does not intend to abuse for imperialistic ends, German groups who for ages have been living in Eastern Europe or to use their help for the purposes of intervention and it "lays the bogey of German aims at European hegemony!"—Reuter.



Ernest Bordoli, Secretary to Northampton's Boot and Shoe Makers Association, can rank as the town's No. 1 salesman. There are 14 factories in Northampton sharing a Ministry of Supply order for 2,000,000 pairs of service footwear. Photo shows employees of Manfield's working on part of the order placed with them. (Copyright, Fox)

NAZI COME HOME ORDER: SHIPS STANDING BY IN LATVIAN, ESTHONIAN PORTS

London, To-day. GERMAN CITIZENS from the Baltic States have already begun to arrive in Germany in obedience to Hitler's come home order.

A message from Stockholm says that one ship has left a Latvian port with Germans on board, and that other ships are standing by in Latvian and Estonian ports.

German citizens only are compelled to return to the Reich, and the first to go are men of military age.

Others of German origin have been given 48 hours in which to decide if they will return to the Reich and become German citizens, with all the drawbacks of such a change, including the loss of their neutral citizenship.

The younger Germans in the Baltic States appear to have little objection to returning, but the older people are going against their will.

COMMISSION TO GO

The German Government is sending a commission to Latvia and Estonia to arrange for the evacuation of Germans, of whom there are 60,000 in Latvia and 18,000 in Estonia.

No formal steps are being taken in regard to the 30,000 Germans in Lithuania, though it is reported that they will be dealt with this week.

The families of many of these people have been established in Lithuania for centuries, and judging by their anxiety, only a proportion will agree to return to the Reich.

Foreign observers suggest that the idea of the transfer is to remove Germans from contact with the new masters of the Baltic.

FEAR OF SOVIET INVASION

The Berlin correspondent of a Danish newspaper says it is believed the move

was facilitated by fear of a Russian invasion.

An unconfirmed report from Budapest says that secret negotiations have been going on between Germany and Balkan governments for the repatriation of Germans from south-east Europe.

These Germans, it is reported, would be made to settle in western Poland and in Czechoslovakia.

FROM RUSSIA TOO

Meanwhile, it is also reported that Germany will shortly take steps to repatriate all Germans from Soviet Russia.—Reuter.

OFFICIAL CONFIRMATION

Berlin, To-day. It is officially confirmed that the Reich have opened conversations with Estonia and Latvia for the repatriations of Germans there in accordance with the plan mentioned by Hitler in the Reichstag.

The announcement adds that property will be duly safeguarded.—Reuter.

PACKING UP, SAYS BERLIN

Berlin, To-day. The German radio says that nearly all the 50,000 Germans in Latvia, most of whom reside in the Riga district, are packing up to return to Germany. They will be settled in the former Polish Corridor.—Reuter.

MOVING OUT

Riga, To-day. Nearly all of 50,000 Germans in Latvia, of which 40,000 live in Riga, have begun to pack in readiness to leave for Germany forthwith.

A German commission of experts who helped in the evacuation of South Tyrol have come to supervise the move.

The Latvian Government have agreed in principle to the German scheme provided all the taxes are paid.

ONLY LIGHT LUGGAGE

It is estimated that 90 per cent. of the Germans have decided to go and there has been a great rush to buy suitcases as the evacuees have been instructed to take only light luggage.

All businesses must be liquidated and transferred to Latvians or sealed for disposal by the special German committee.

It is understood that the evacuees will settle in the Polish Corridor.—Reuter.

PENNY FOR HER THOUGHTS?

New York.—Stranded in Europe when war broke out, Miss Alice T. Scheh is back home with a penny she earned on the way.

A cancelled sailing left Miss Scheh in Italy with practically no money. She talked the steamship company out of \$20 and got to Le Havre, France.

United States Lines officials gave her a job on the crew of the liner Manhattan—as stenographer and typist at wages of one cent a month. When the ship docked she had officially earned less than half her salary, but ship officials said they were paying her anyhow.

PRISONERS OF WAR IN GERMANY

London, To-day. The German Government has sent lists of British and French prisoners of war to the International Red Cross at Geneva. The lists have been forwarded to the British and French Governments.—Reuter.

NAZI CREW BURNS DISTRESSED PLANE

Copenhagen, To-day. A German military plane which had been reconnoitring in the North Sea made a forced landing in Denmark yesterday.

The crew set fire to the machine on discovering where they were.—Reuter.

Esbjerg, To-day.

One of the members of the crew of a German military plane that landed on Fanoe Island, was found to be wounded.

It is suggested that the wound was sustained in the course of an air battle and he has been taken to hospital.

The plane and the other three members of the crew will be interned.—Reuter.

GERMAN WAR-ACE JOINS R.A.F.

Toronto — Harry Baldwin, who as Henrich Boedlein served under Herman Goering, to-day's No. 2 man in the Reich, in the German Air Force in the World War, has registered with the comrades of the Royal Air Force Association, an organization of wartime aviators listing men available for service.

Mr. Baldwin changed his name when he applied for naturalization and expects to receive his final papers within a week. He has been in Canada for 10 years.

Expressing a willingness to do thing in his power to help Canada, Mr. Baldwin asked only that he be excused from fighting against the Germans.

BELGIAN SUPPLIES

Brussels, To-day. Belgium is sending an economic mission to the United States to discuss the question of food supplies and raw materials.

The mission left for Paris yesterday morning, and it is expected they will embark for New York from an Italian port.—Reuter.

HAMMOND JOINS THE R.A.F.

London, To-day. Walter Hammond, the Gloucestershire and England cricketer, is taking up a commission in the R.A.F.—Reuter.

HITLER'S PEACE DRIVE AMONG NEUTRALS REJECTED: RUSSIA'S STRANGE POSITION

Copenhagen, To-day.

Repeated German suggestions that the neutral nations take a hand in furthering Hitler's "peace" appeal are not meeting with the success expected in Berlin.

Yesterday, the Danish newspaper, "Nationaltidende," said that neutral nations had often been asked to refute accusations against Germany in the past.

The newspaper continued: "Now it appears that we are expected to whip up neutral opinion to such a pitch that our governments will unite to force peace on the belligerents.

"We consider that the cause of peace is best served by others than those who neither can nor will make war.

"We submit humbly that the task exceeds our powers."—Reuter.

BRITAIN'S WAR AIMS

London, To-day.

Asked in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon whether the Government intended to publish a special statement on the Allied war aims, the Prime Minister stated that Britain and France were in complete accord as to the purposes for which we entered the war.

These purposes had been stated by both Governments more than once.

As time went on, both Governments would no doubt consider putting these purposes in more specific form.—Reuter.

RUSSIA NOT AIDING HITLER

London, To-day.

It is noted in well-informed circles in London that the Soviet has hitherto not supported Hitler's peace proposals notwithstanding the Soviet-German treaty of friendship of September 29.

The treaty provided that joint efforts would be made by the two Governments to end the state of war, writes Reuter's diplomatic correspondent.

The situation as between Russia and Germany is somewhat obscure and recent developments in the Baltic make it difficult to understand.

The surprising haste with which all Germans, whether by nationality or origin are being evacuated from the three Baltic states, is arousing much speculation.

GIVEN ONLY 48 HOURS

Most of these Germans are wealthy merchants and traders who settled in their present countries for centuries. Yet they have been given only 48 hours to transfer themselves and their property to Germany.

In Slav circles in London this extraordinary development is believed to portend the rapid bolshevisation of the Baltic states.

Summoning the Finnish envoy to Moscow is another important development which may have an interesting sequel.

FINLAND WILL RESIST

Supported as they are by the Swedes, the Finns are not likely to submit to the humiliating conditions accepted by the Baltic states.

If it is only a question of small islands in the Gulf of Finland some arrangement like a long lease might conceivably be agreed but if there is any question of naval bases and aerodromes in Finland or the Aland Islands it is expected, according to well-informed Scandinavian opinion, that Finland will resist.—Reuter.

ANALYSING WAR REPORTS

Palo Alto, Calif.

Organized social psychologists decided here to publicly analyze "war propaganda" in the hope of persuading Americans not to believe false or prejudiced reports.

At the same time they joined in a statement asserting the war-born boom in steel, chemical, and other stocks "calls our attention once more to the grave danger to the community of allowing individuals to profit from this catastrophe."

Behind this movement is the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues, a group which calls itself progressive. It is an organization within the American Psychological Association, which is holding its convention here and in Berkeley.

Dr. T. C. Schneirla, New York University psychologist and spokesman for the group, said the Council of the Society would analyze in weekly statements the news and other matters relating to the European war.

He added that the Council hoped to point out motives behind propaganda and to set forth hidden or ulterior factors in statements which might appear innocent or altruistic.

ARCHBISHOP'S TOUR OF REFUGEE CAMP

London, To-day.

The Archbishop of Canterbury yesterday visited a camp in the south of England where 3,500 Jewish refugees from Germany and Austria have been preparing for a new life overseas.—Reuter.

STRIKE BUNTING

Veracruz, Mexico — Doors of the municipal and other courts were draped with red and black flags—symbols of strikes in progress.

A court employees' union went on strike because a judge fired two clerks. The courts suspended operations.

MR. HORE-BELISHA SEES THE KING

London, To-day.

The King yesterday received the War Minister, Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, in audience at Buckingham Palace.—Reuter.



A portable wireless operator reports to headquarters whilst concealed in a hedge with a Bren gun section. (Copyright, Fox).

DUCHESS OF WINDSOR TO WORK FOR WOUNDED

London, To-day.

The Duchess of Windsor, it is reported, is planning to convert her chateau at Cap d'Antibes into a convalescent home for wounded British soldiers.

The Duchess herself will engage in work for the wounded.—Reuter.

AIRMAN'S SPEED FEAT

Cleveland, Ohio.

The name of Col. Roscoe Turner was stamped indelibly into the list of aviation's speed champions recently.

The Chicagoan flew 282.536 miles an hour—a scant mile behind his own record—to win the 300-mile Thompson Trophy Race for the third time.

Afterward, he announced his retirement from competitive racing. He has been racing 12 years.

Shortly after the start he thought he had cut a pylon and rounded it again, but made up this handicap to finish more than 10 miles ahead of Tony Levier, Montebello, Calif., over the 10-mile closed course. Pylon trouble cost him two previous Thompson Trophies.

The Chicagoan, just a shade behind his record of 283.419 miles an hour set in 1938, won \$16,000 and became the only man to take the speed classic three times. For second place, Mr. Levier collected \$8,000.

"This is my fast race," Colonel Turner said. "This is a young man's game. I'm going to start a flying school in Indianapolis."

Third place and \$4,000 went to Earl Ortman, Canadian Colonial Airways pilot from Montreal and Newark, N.J., who flew 254.435 miles an hour in his Marcoux-Bromberg. Mr. Levier's second-place time in his Schoenfeldt Special was 272.538 miles an hour.

Steve Wittman, from Oshkosh, Wis., finished in fourth place, but on the question of whether he rounded one pylon hinged whether he collected \$2,500. His speed was 249.537.

Harry Crosby of Burbank, Calif., flying the plane he designed after a flying fish, went 244.522 miles an hour for fifth place money of \$1,500. Lieut. Joe Mackey of San Antonio, Texas, flying a plane owned by Colonel Turner, was sixth at 232.926 miles an hour for \$1,000.

The other entrant in the race was Art Chester of Los Angeles.

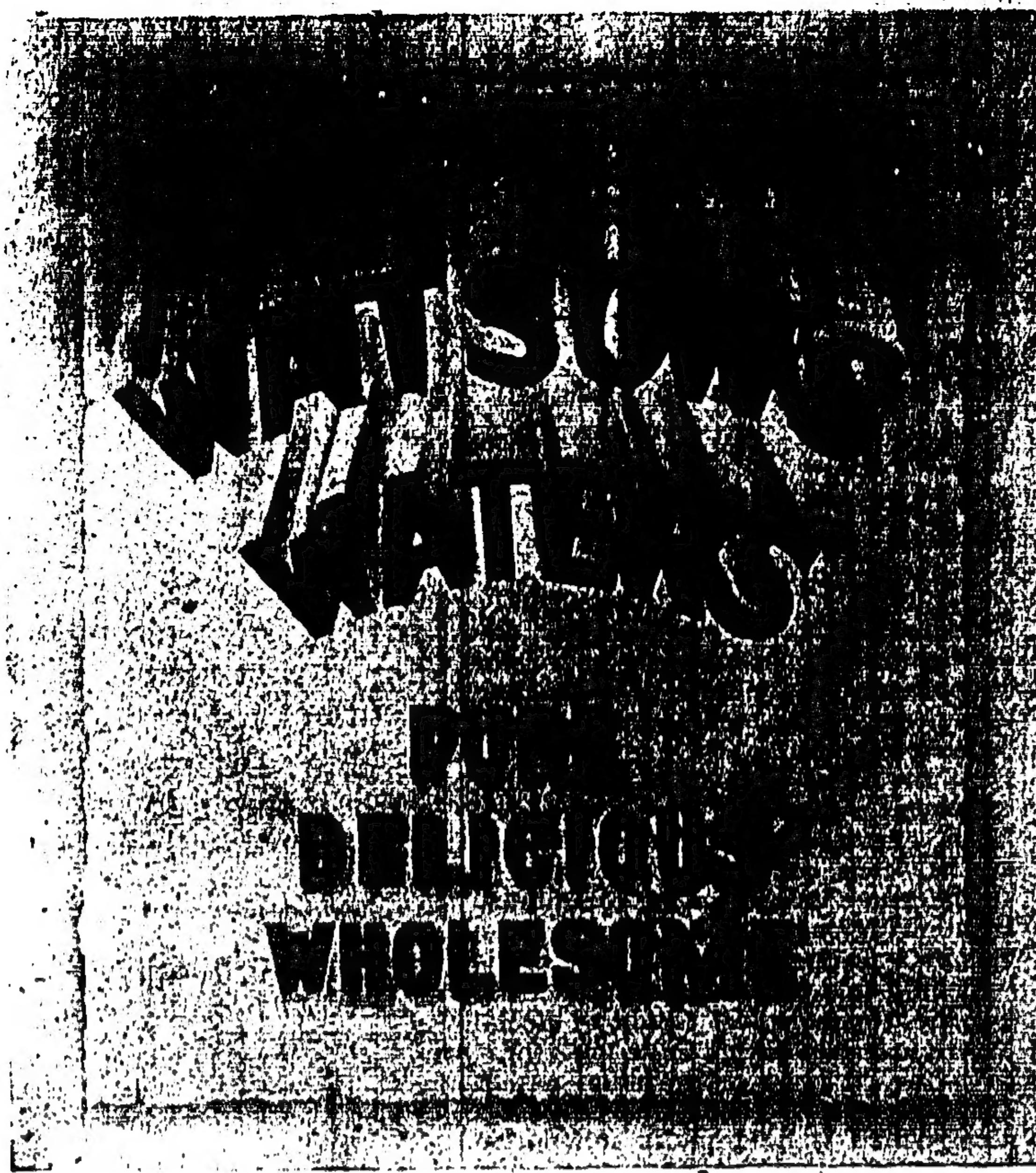
SHORT RATIONS FOR NAZI LEADERS

Berlin—Adolf Hitler, in keeping with his Government's emergency measures, has put himself and the staff of his Wilhelmstrasse Chancellery on a strict one-course meal basis.

Men in close contact with the Chancellery said the Fuehrer instructed his cook to strike soup and dessert from the bill of fare for the time being.

The Chancellery staff—office workers, secretaries, typists, members of the SS bodyguard and chauffeurs of adjutants—regularly eat their mid-day meal at the Casino of the Chancellery.

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MIRROR OF WORLD OPINION

DRIFTING

There is a general impression that the China Affair is now in its concluding phase. None dares to speak of it openly, but none the less the idea is prevalent.

The people are told that they should expect that the China campaign will last for an indefinite length of time, but they know that the fight cannot go on forever. They survey the general situation and tell themselves that it is going to end before long.

This attitude may be wrong, but not unnatural because they have no idea of the goal their country is aiming at. They are left in the dark because there seems no national policy to guide their thought. The whole China Affair was called an incident, but it would have been truer to say it began as an accident. If there is any national policy about the proposed peaceful construction in China, the people have seen nothing of it. At least there has been no achievement to bear testimony to such policy. And yet the people are supposed to stand behind what their Government is doing in China. It may be shown that Chinese are better able to take care of their own affairs than the Japanese. It should be hardly surprising if Wang Ching-wel found himself one of these days the leader of Japan's own, independent diplomacy.

— "Japan Times."

MUDDLING

The other instance of muddling that has been dragged into the light of publicity is the recklessly extravagant scale of pay and allowances fixed for mobilised members of the Defence Force. These rates were decided on four years ago, and the authorities never thought of revising them until reports began to be spread that fantastic sums were being earned by men who were supposed to be making a sacrifice in their anxiety to serve their King and country in wartime. Many of these reports were only too true, and it is not surprising that public opinion was strongly voiced against this scandalous extravagance. Nobody denies that many of the men mobilised at present have arduous and important duties to perform. But what cannot be too deeply deplored is the inescapable conclusion that not a few of them were being encouraged to make an excellent business of their volunteering from a financial point of view. Here again the suspicion persists that there has been strange and questionable procedure under a veil of unjustifiable secrecy. It is often difficult to understand why the authorities should be so averse to giving the public all the relevant facts when nothing is lost and much can be gained by a policy that inspires greater confidence and creates a larger measure of goodwill.—"Ceylon Observer."

THE BREMEN INCIDENT

Some of the reasons for the over-elaborate port inspection that prevented the German liner Bremen from leaving New York for Bremerhaven under emergency orders may be listed under "Nuisance Value in Uncle Sam's crisis file." Yet it is not unlikely that the Bremen and her sister ship, the Europa, figure prominently in whatever plans Germany has mapped out for wartime operations at sea, and that Washington realises this.

Those who recall how badly the German commerce raider Emden disrupted shipping on the Aden-Colombo trade route in 1914, sinking 26 ships, refuelling from captured colliers, cutting cables, and wrecking wireless stations before the cruiser Sydney put her out of business, would not be surprised if they should learn that the same tactics figure in present naval calculations.

Germany's two 27-knot superliners were built to mount guns fore and aft in the event of war, and with their large carrying capacity they could stow enough fuel and stores to operate a long time and a long distance from any friendly port. Each is equipped with catapults for launching airplanes.

Turning commerce raiders loose to prey upon the enemy's trade routes, single-ship encounters, and quick, massed sorties against a detached enemy force are likely stratagems for a nation which admittedly lacks a decisive preponderance of power at sea. There is no alternative for such a nation but to see its smaller force gather rust, unused, within its coastal defences. This fact stresses the value a navy committed to hit-and-run warfare naturally attaches to its top-speed merchant liners. It is logical to presume, therefore, that Federal authorities were also mindful of it.

By holding up the Bremen as long as it was legally possible, they exploited the opportunity offered thereby to add an extra ounce to the pressures which the democracies are piling up in the present crisis to bolster their diplomatic front.—"Christian Science Monitor."

PEACE OFFER

Mr. Chamberlain has to say that a peace offer will be considered. If he said anything else he would be open to world criticism, the criticism that he refused to be open-minded and fair, that he permitted himself to be so blinded with the will to fight and the desire for revenge that he could not even consider peace when it was offered. He has to indicate the willingness to consider terms, but at the same time he has to recognise that fact that he and his people and allies are forced to reject any terms which mean sacrifice of the principles in defence of which they entered the war.

A dishonourable peace at this stage would be not merely a betrayal of the Polish and the Czechoslovakian peoples, but it would be the doom of democracy. That is a fact which we cannot bluff through or dodge around. It is a fact that is not altered by hesitations at the part of Italy, threats from Russia nor all the propaganda that can be handed out about either or both of them.

We can conceive of no immediate and material blessing greater than that which would be found in any substantial promise of an offer containing the substance of true peace based on fundamental right. We would that we might see a prospect for such an offer at this time. That which has been done since this war started and that which was done in leading up to the war and starting it are lacking in the material out of which lasting peace is made. The events forming the background for Hitler's offer are foreign to the kind of peace which the democracies could consider acceptable.

LOR LUMMIE

Two workmen outside the Law Courts were reading the news of the latest pamphlet raid over Germany. One of them said: "Bilimey! Ere we are at war, an' what do we do? Perfec' little bents, we go and drop confetti on 'em. Lor!"

AERIAL WARFARE: ITALIAN CODE

Modern warfare cannot be considered only as the explosive collision of military forces but also and specially of moral forces. Breakup of the enemy's moral resistance must be one of aviation's first objectives. The procedure will then be to carry on the offensive in all directions and bombard possible objectives, even if these do not bear a net military character.

With this result obtained, it will be easier to give a free hand to aerial warfare, properly speaking, whose essentially character will consist in surprise operations.—"Rassegna Italiana", Rome.



Ralph Richardson, one of the screen's most talented actors, has one of the finest roles in his career in the Alexander Korda technicolour production, "The Four Feathers," at the King's Theatre.

GERMAN-AMERICANS GUARDED IN OPINIONS ABOUT CONFLICT

The half-million German-born American citizens living in New York, headquarters of the German-American Bund, are watching the foreign war with mingled emotions, a survey showed.

In Yorkville, Manhattan neighbourhood centering the German-language colony, only guarded opinions were to be had from the population, attitudes both for and against Reichsführer Hitler's invasion of Poland.

These ranged all the way from the point of view reiterated by Fritz Kuhn, Bund leader, over the Labour Day week end that "Hitler and Germany can lick the whole world," to renunciation by the German Labour Delegation in the United States of the Nazi German leader and his Party as unrepresentative of majority thought in the Reich.

NAZIS ASSAILED

Representing itself as the American organization of Germany's one-time Social Democratic Party which has headquarters in Paris, the German Labour Delegation took its stand in a statement issued by its President, Albert Grzesinski. This declared that "nobody who knows Germany and the German people can have any possible doubt that Hitler and his Nazi Party are not representing the whole, or even the majority of the German Nation to-day."

"Nazi totalitarianism has conquered Germany by brutal force and maintains its political power above and against the majority of the German people by every means of terror," the statement continues.

Coincidentally, German and Austrian veterans of Union County, N. J., reaffirmed their allegiance oath to the United States, "whatever may happen." Announcing the pledge,

700 AMERICAN PLANES UNDELIVERED TO ALLIES

ABOUT 700 AEROPLANES, destined for delivery to Britain and France, are held up by application of the American arms embargo.

That is the approximate measure of the tangible effect of the embargo on the Allies.

But the intangible effect, the effect on governmental and public opinion, may be much greater. Both British and French sources in Washington, far from buoyantly expecting the embargo to be lifted soon, are gloomily only hoping for the best.

The French seem in the greatest state of dejection, taking the view that the United States—great defender of democracy—has failed them in their hour of need.

Reports that both British and French Governments are placing orders for more aircraft, expectant of the lifting of the embargo, which were printed in various papers, seem far from the actual facts.

Both embassies denied the reports. Spokesmen for the aircraft industry denied them. They suggested that the reports may have been based on certain queries that have been made as to possible productive capacity when, as, and if the embargo is lifted.

Including a large aviation order placed by the British with the Curtiss-Wright Company about a year ago, on which deliveries have been completed, it is roughly true that about half the aircraft orders placed within this period by the British and French already have been completed, thus escaping the embargo.

Here is the situation in the big four companies with which orders were placed:

Douglas Aircraft Company: 100 planes for the French, undelivered.

Glenn L. Martin Company: 215 planes for the French, one delivered.

Lockheed Aircraft Corporation: 400 planes for the British, upward of 75 per cent delivered. Eighty planes for the Australians, none delivered.

North American Aviation, Inc.: about 80 planes for the British, about 130 for the French, none delivered.

There were also some other scattering orders understood to have been delivered. The Vought-Sikorsky Division of United Aircraft had on order 20 amphibians or seaplanes for the French, and a repeat of about the same number, of which total about half are understood to have been delivered.

FIGHTING NEAR HANKOW

A shipload of seriously wounded Japanese troops, numbering about 600, arrived in Shanghai aboard the Japanese transport *Seoul Maru* from Hankow, the China Press learned.

The arrival of the wounded soldiers dovetailed with authoritative reports that sanguinary fighting had been raging around the Central China city, with the Japanese sustaining heavy casualties.

U.S. CAN AVOID WAR

Senator Robert A. Taft of Ohio, seeking to follow his father's footsteps to the Presidency, met with Yale Alumni and addressed the Anoka Taft for President Club, first in the United States to boom him for President.

"We can stay out of the European war if we want to," he declared.

"It should be the business of every one of us to want to stay out. War is a destroyer of forms of government. The World War destroyed democracies and resulted in more dictatorships than ever before."

"Our participation in the present war would be of greatest danger to democracy in the United States. If we got into the war, I doubt if we would return to democracy as we have known it. It was hard enough to do so after the World War."

Expecting a call for a special session of Congress, Senator Taft said he favoured substantially the same revision of neutrality laws as President Roosevelt.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO CHINA

The good wishes everywhere extended to-day by China's foreign friends on the occasion of the celebration of the 28th anniversary of the foundation of the Chinese Republic, are invested with deeper meaning possibly than ever before by the new community of interest, the common fight in East and West against barbarism and aggression.

It is an occasion for congratulation, for more than one reason.

Not for some years has the annual stocktaking customary on the Double

Tenth anniversary revealed a situation giving such solid cause for satisfaction.

Another year of war and not only does the resistance to Japanese aggression continue more determinedly than ever, but all signs point to the conclusion that the hour is marking the turning of the tide.

The magnificent victory of the new armies at Changsha justifies all Chungking's exuberant firing, for the Japanese purpose was to produce a shock to China's spirit on the Double Tenth. The turning of the tables so completely must be splendid encouragement.

It at last can be said, with real truth, that never before in the history of China's struggle for liberation has the future appeared so bright.

The end is not yet, but it is beginning to emerge into view.

It is not an occasion for wild rejoicing, but one for national reaffirmation of determination to fight on until the final victory is won.

HONG KONG CHINESE CELEBRATE

The Hong Kong Chinese community commemorated the 28th anniversary of the Republic of China this morning.

The whole town was bedecked with Chinese and British flags flying from roof-tops and short masts outside shops and department stores.

All schools were closed and all businesses suspended transactions.

The representative meeting of all organisations at King's Theatre was cancelled, but under the Chairmanship of Mr. Li Kim-fung, Chairman of the Hong Kong Chinese Journalists' Association and Chief Editor of the "Industrial and Commercial Press," a mass meeting was held in the Queen's Theatre at 9.30 a.m.

Among the speakers were the Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall, Sir Shouson Chow, the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau and Mr. Li Tse-fong.

The five local Chinese Women's war relief organisations held their meeting on the football ground at Caroline Hill.

TURKEY AND SOVIET

Moscow, To-day. Russia has ratified the pact with Latvia which gives her further naval and air bases.—Reuter.

Moscow, To-day. The Soviet-Turkish negotiations are still held up.

M. Sarooglu, the Turkish Foreign Minister, has been doing nothing in the seven days since he was last received by M. Molotov, the Soviet Premier and Foreign Minister.—Reuter.

Mr. G. Karpushess, of No. 188, Nathan Road, has reported that at 2 p.m. yesterday while driving his car, he crashed into a drainpipe on the concrete pillar outside No. 121, Shanghai Street.

London remains the largest City in the world—and it is still growing, according to "London Statistics 1938-39", issued by the London County Council. This volume tells how in 1937, last period for which figures are available, there was an increase of 80,000 in the population, bringing the total to 8,655,000. This compares with New York's 7,000,000.

The administrative county, however, that inner ring of the vast metropolis which forms Greater London and spreads over 693 square miles, is steadily losing inhabitants. The population of this area was at its highest in 1901—4,536,276. Since then it has continued to fall until in 1938 it was 4,062,800.

DECLINE IN PUPILS

The growth of Greater London at the expense of the administrative county, according to this survey, is reflected in the decreasing number of elementary school children in the county. Their numbers have dropped from 900,000 in 1915 to 543,600 in 1937. This decline in school population is proportionately much larger than the decrease in the total population of the county.

Much of Greater London's growth in population is said to be due to the concentration of a large proportion of the newer industries around London and consequent migration of workers from other districts.

INCREASE IN BOOKS

Passing from people to the books they read, this volume gives a detailed analysis of books borrowed by London residents. During the year ended March 31, 40,116,733 books were borrowed from public libraries in Greater London.

The growth of public libraries in the past 10 years may be judged from the fact that in the administrative county of London, issues of books have risen from 14,512,112 in 1928 to 19,941,654 last year.

WHY ARE WE IN THE WAR?

By Sir Norman Angell

IT IS OF COURSE the duty of civilised men everywhere to try to understand the nature of this conflict if only because all peoples will sooner or later be called upon to give vital decisions arising from it; to sanction or oppose action by their governments in respect of it.

If such understanding is to be achieved we must face facts which both the British and the French show a denotion to ignore or even hide. Yet they are facts which if brought more clearly into light and their significance more fully revealed, would show the cause for which France and Britain fight as the greatest for which nations ever took up arms. And by a curious paradox it is a cause which will be betrayed unless the facts we now seem to desire to hide are squarely faced and their significance realised.

Neither Britain nor France has been attacked by Germany. The democracies are not fighting to repel attacks upon their own soil, upon themselves, or even upon a democracy, and most of the democratic states of the Continent—Switzerland, the Low Countries, and the Scandinavian States—are neutral.

Britain and France are fighting to defend the independence of a state on the other side of Europe which is hardly a democracy, if a democracy at all, whose frontiers represent a status quo which many Britons and French—and Americans—have in the past declared to be in some respects unjust, at best the least evil of bad alternatives. Those facts do not weaken the case of the allies. They strengthen it.

CHANGE IN PLEDGE POLICIES

Moreover the guarantees to Poland which now bring Britain into the war are guarantees which for years the present British Government and its predecessor had again and again declared ought never on any account to be assumed by a British government. They are undertakings which, as the chief newspaper supporter of the Government at the time they were given pointed out, we had heretofore refused even to France, our next-door neighbour and political ally. One of the chief spokesmen of the Cabinet as late as March last was arguing in the House of Commons that such commitments were wrong in principle and unworkable in practice—an almost certain road to war.

Other supporters of the Government had repeatedly argued that particularly ought Britain to refrain from giving such undertakings in eastern Europe and should as alternative policy tacitly acquiesce in German expansion in the east in return for German guarantees to respect the status quo in western Europe—anticipating in this the offer actually made by Herr Hitler to the British Government on Aug. 25 and again on Aug. 28.

Mr. Anthony Eden has described this sudden decision to guarantee states at the other end of Europe as a "profound revolution in British foreign policy." It could perhaps be better described as a definite triumph of one school of thought in the Cabinet and the country over a rival school in a long contest which had been going on for years—an incident of that contest having been the resignation of Mr. Eden himself in February of last year.

AGGRESSION PIECE BY PIECE

The issue in that debate was quite simple: On one side were those who argued that Britain's policy should aim at checking aggression as such, anywhere, whether it appeared for the moment Britain was directly concerned or not; the British Commonwealth—a collection of virtually independent states scattered over the whole world—could never be secure if aggressor states could with impunity pick off one by one Britain's potential allies, until finally it would find itself in the words of Mr. Winston Churchill, "facing its fate naked and alone."

Britain should therefore, ran the argument, base its defence upon the integrity of the law against aggression, against violence, against war, irrespective of whether defiance of the law was directed against the British or

against others. It was pointed out that Japan's impunity in its violation of law in Manchuria was largely accountable for Italian violation in Abyssinia; for German occupation of the Rhineland; for German-Italian invasion of Spain; for the annexation of Austria, Memel, the Sudetenland, Slovakia, Moravia, and Bohemia. The general policy of saying to states like Japan, Italy, and Germany: "We don't care what you do to others so long as you leave us alone" was declared by this school to be morally contemptible and politically short-sighted. The principle underlying such a view will be more fully defined in a moment.

VIEWS OF RIVAL SCHOOLS

As against the view that Britain should resist aggression as such, defend law as such, the rival school argued that this principle would turn every local dispute into a world war; that to give undertakings to defend this, that, or the other state was to place control of British foreign policy "in the hands of a lot of foreign nations," as Sir John Simon put it recently in the House of Commons; that Britain could be neither knight errant nor policeman of man, and should confine its intervention to those cases in which it had direct strategic interest: Belgium, France, Egypt, Iraq, certain points of the Far East; that—most powerful argument of all—British public opinion would never for an instant sanction war on behalf of strange nations on the other side of Europe.

This last was for years the really decisive argument of the noninterventionist. About a year ago this writer was present at a small gathering of members of Parliament, former Cabinet ministers, a present Cabinet Minister, a newspaper proprietor, and writers. An overwhelming majority took strongly the view that no British Government could ever face the risk of war in order to resist Japan in Manchuria or China, Italy in Abyssinia, or Germany in the Rhineland, or Austria, or Czechoslovakia; that isolationist opinion in Britain would simply have destroyed a British Government proposing to go to war on behalf of a small state on the other side of Europe. On this point the whole group, with possible two exceptions, had no doubts whatever; it was completely positive, certain, dogmatic.

"REVOLUTION" CAME QUICKLY

And that overwhelming majority of representative, informed Englishmen, so positive, so certain, so dogmatic, were of course completely wrong, or the British public did not really know how it would feel and act when aggression had reached a certain stage. For when Prime Minister Chamberlain gave his guarantee to Poland—so infinitely more dangerous than any guarantee he could have given to Manchuria or Abyssinia—the whole nation accepted it without demur. "The revolution" of policy was accomplished from one day to another.

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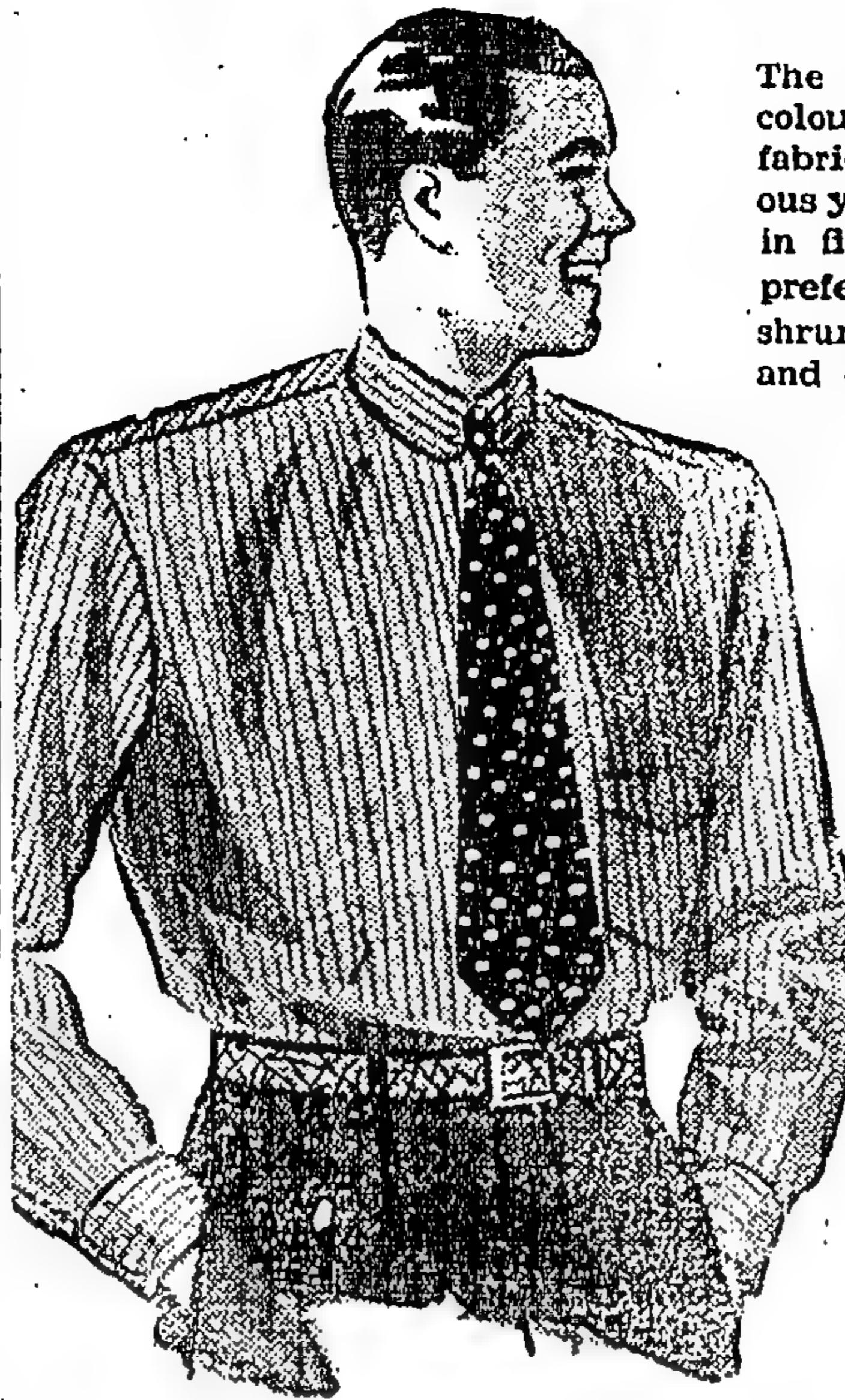
In his statement of Aug. 24 the Foreign Secretary, Viscount Halifax said: "We have tried to make it clear by word and deed that we are prepared to assist those countries which feel their independence immediately threatened and are ready to defend their freedom... that is why we gave our undertaking to Poland... In failing to uphold the liberties of others we run great risks of betraying the principle of liberty itself, and with it our own freedom and independence."

The principle of conduct to which Lord Halifax has referred is one which this present writer has often attempted to define in some such terms as these:

That unless we are prepared to defend the law, against violence when others are the victims it will be impossible to defend ourselves when we

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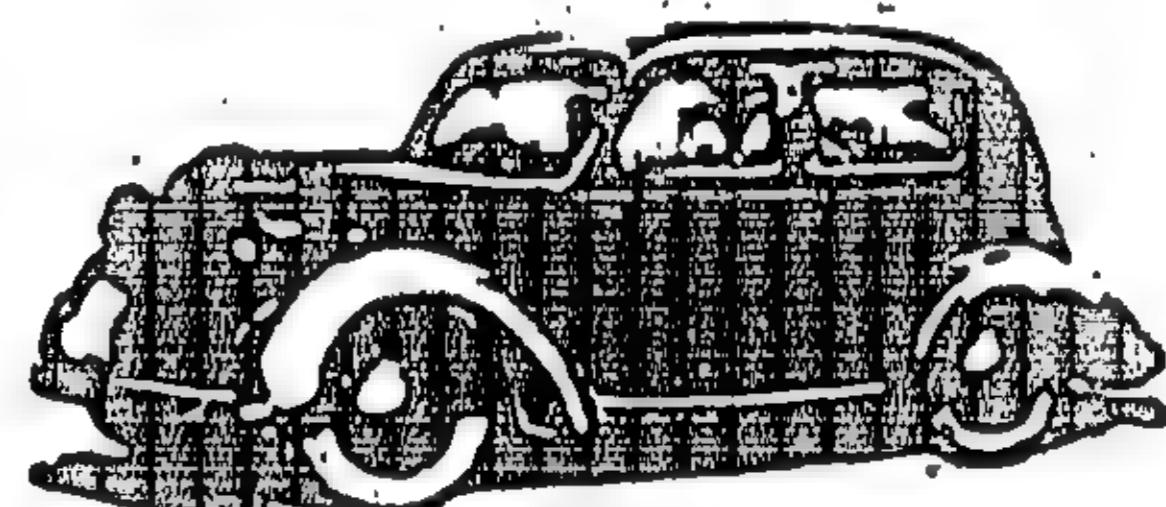
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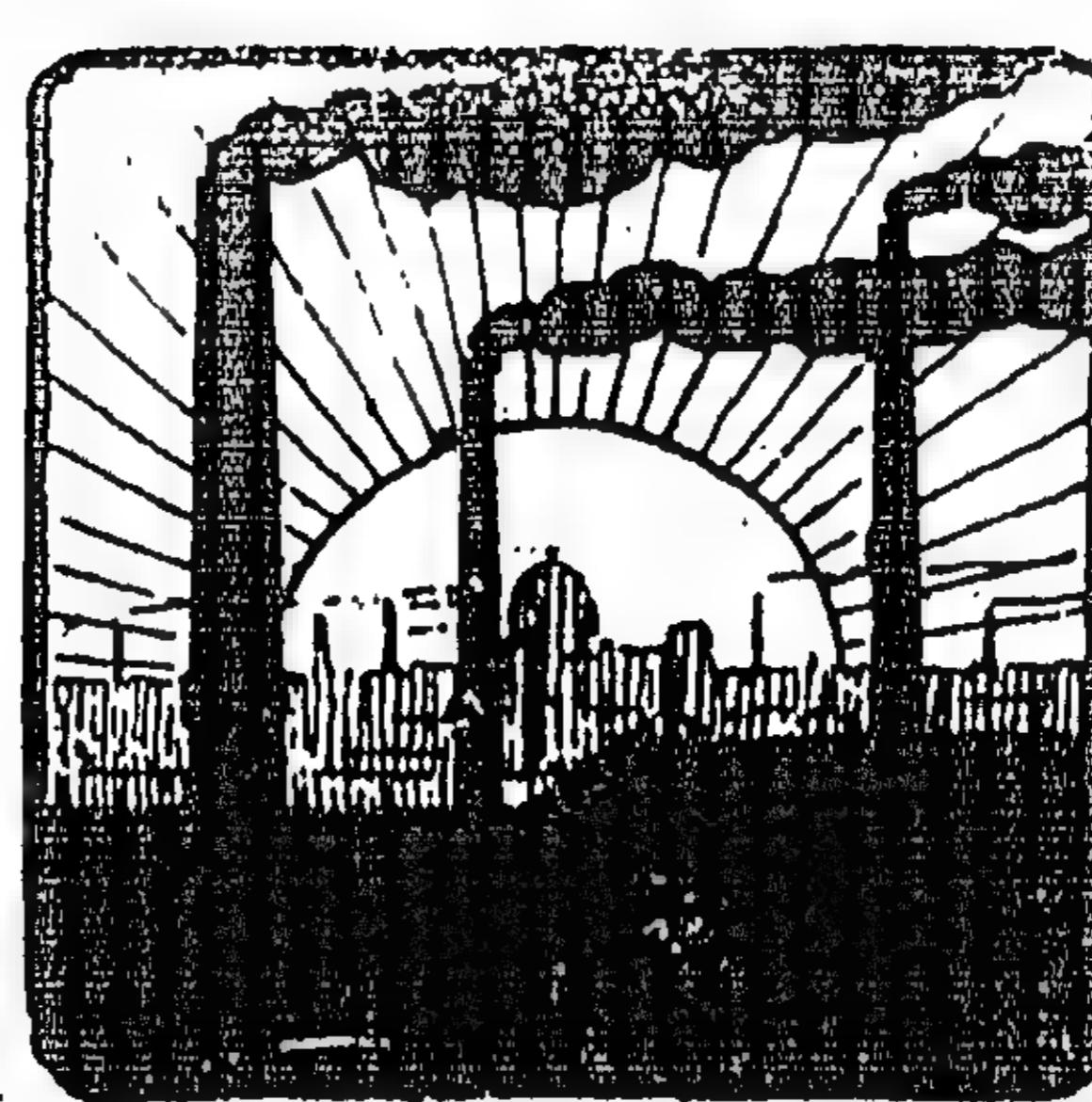


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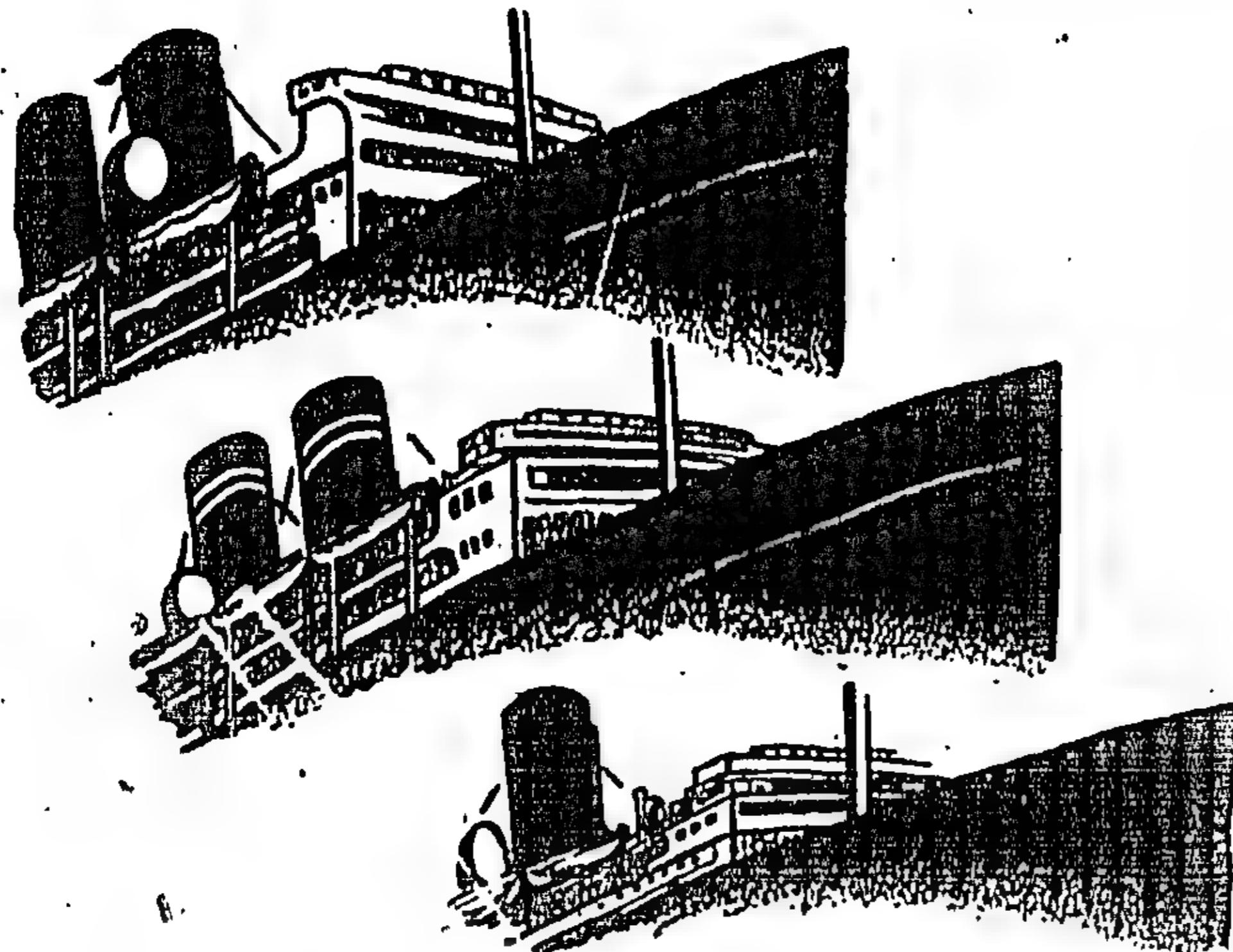
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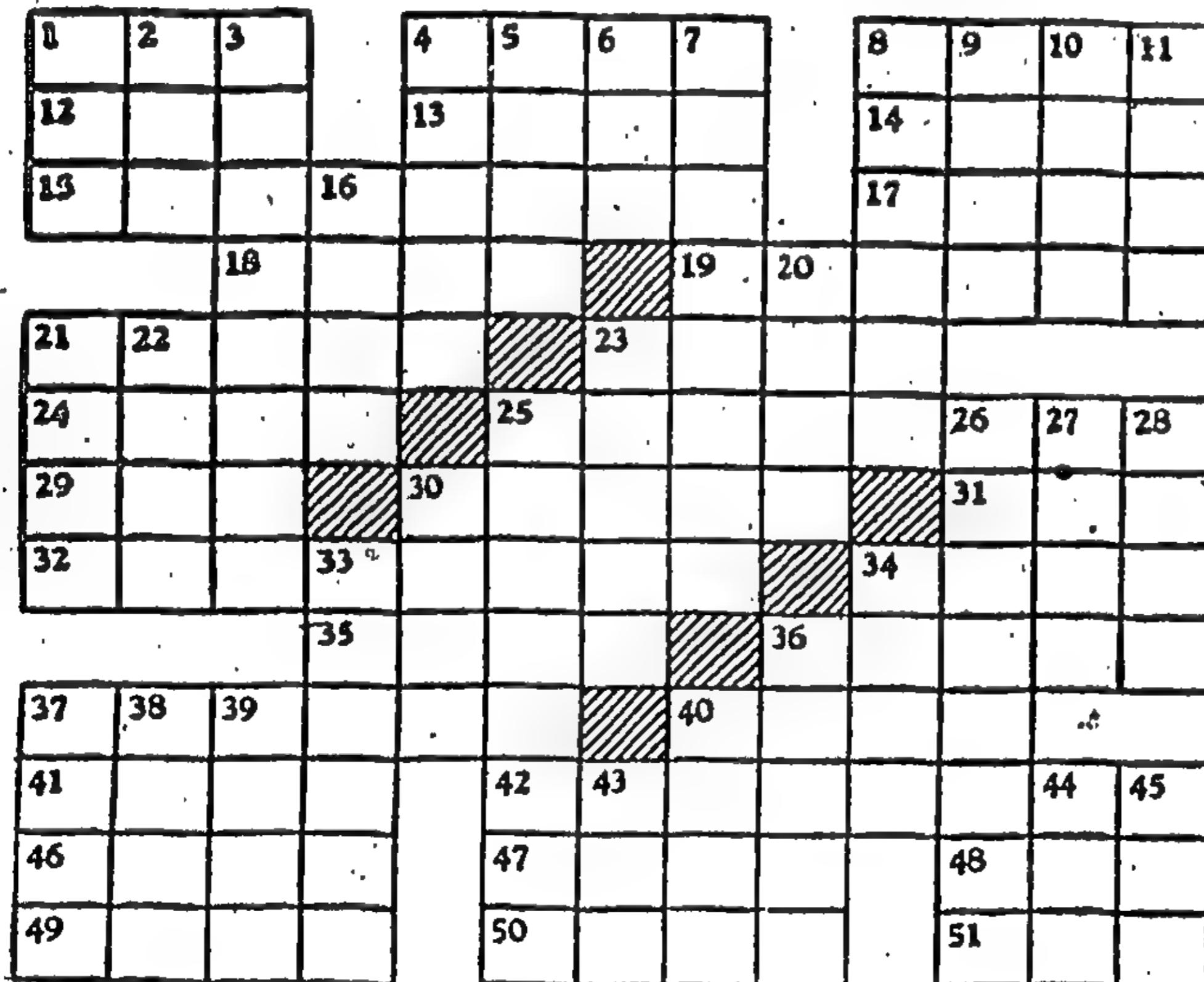
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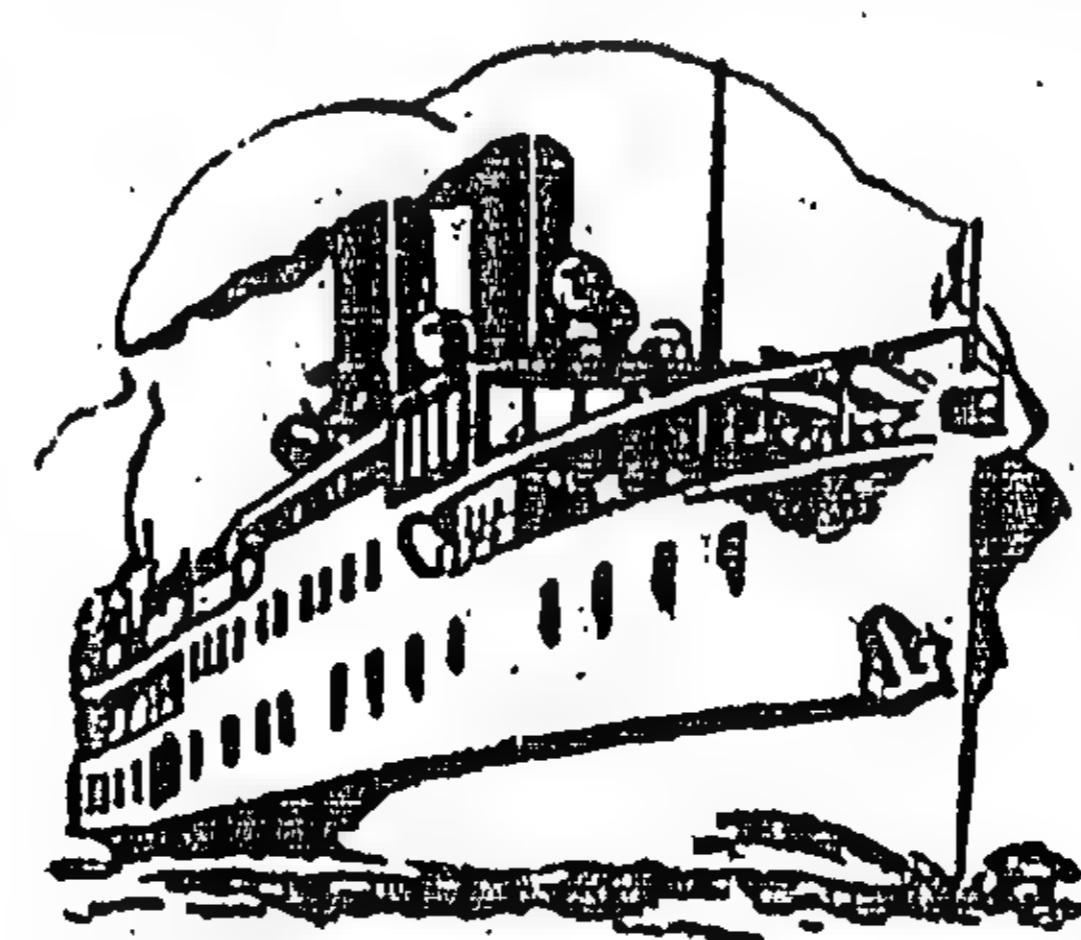
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WHY WE ARE IN THE WAR?

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are the victims; that this obligation to defend the weak as against the strong is not affected by the fact that the weak may be wrong and the strong right, for if once we admit the right of the stronger party to a dispute to become its judge we launch an anti-social competition for power as the instrument of judgment which must make peace, order, and civilization impossible; that the basis of all civilization, an organised society, is thus organisation of collective power against violence.

THE FUTURE OF CIVILISATION

Will a victory of Britain and France mean a victory for that constitutional principle, so that henceforth it will be evident to aggressors that they will have to meet not merely the power of their intended victim, but the power of a large part of civilization? It is indeed the principle for which our countries are fighting and it triumphs, then their triumph will in a very exact sense save civilization; will help the world to end that anarchy, that absence in the international field of all law against violence which lies at the root of war; will give to force in the international field the office which it has within nations—the office of withstanding violence by collective defence of the victim so that law and reason may prevail.

But that triumph depends upon a condition which should be of especial interest to readers of 'The Christian Science Monitor,' the condition namely of believing deeply that this is indeed the purpose of our arms. If we think that the mere defeat of Germany will of itself give us peace we shall, of course, fail, for we defeated Germany 21 years ago and that defeat and our victory has not given peace. That costly victory proved futile because afterwards although each was willing to use force to defend himself, we were not willing to use it to defend law when others, and not ourselves happened to be the victim of its violation. If as result of this war we are brought to realise that only so can force be made an instrument of peace, security, and justice, and the lesson is carried to the world, then our agonies will not have been in vain.—'Christian Science Monitor.'



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Riga, Latvia, September 8.
IN A DANZIG HOTEL LOBBY I heard a German officer who usually slept late leave a call for 3.15 the next morning — Friday, September 1, writes an "Associated Press" staff correspondent. I realised then that it was coming.

It was 4.47 a.m. by my watch when the firing started. I couldn't place it as I ran down the hotel stairs several steps at a time.

The night watchman said: "Es geht los." (It's started.)

I ran toward the Vistula River. There I saw what it was — the German Cruiser Schleswig-Holstein firing on the Polish munitions depot of Westerplatte.

(Adolf Hitler's order of the day instructing the German Army to "meet force with force" was timed at 5.30 a.m.)

Already the cruiser's white sides were blackened from the powder of the shells it was pouring onto the heavily-wooded Westerplatte Peninsula from its 18-centimeter and 28-centimeter guns.

Strangely, I found a taxi that took me to the former customs house. From there I climbed a hill behind the lines.

ALL APPROACHES GUARDED

Below, German soldiers were guarding all approaches to the waterfront and clearing the entire harbour district of thousands of civilians to clear the way for the air raids that were to come. Windows all through the district were smashed by the force of the explosions of the shells from the cruiser.

The Schleswig-Holstein was standing out in the harbour, not far off shore. Beyond the peninsula, in Danzig Bay, were other ships of the German fleet.

Between the two forces lay the little Peninsula, completely surrounded by enemy territory and offering no chance for retreat or escape. The Poles seemed to be drawing back, strictly on the defensive, and their firing apparently had no definite objective.

After an hour of shelling from the Schleswig-Holstein, I saw a German landing party set out. But their attempt to storm the Poles failed. A cross-fire of machine-guns, the Poles' chief armament, drove them back with heavy losses.

LAND IN DESERTED CITY

By mistake a cab driver and I landed in the new Sahrwasser Harbour District. It was an eerie place. Cleared out by the Germans, it was a dead city, with gaping windows amid the wreckage left by wild firing and bombing from the air.

On the second day 24 German bombers dropped at least 50 bombs on the peninsula. It was a tremendous effort to dislodge the stubborn band of defenders, and the explosions echoed over Danzig.

But when it was all over a rattle of machine-guns showed the Poles still were defiant. During the next days more shells followed, and still the Poles held fast.

Even Danzigers began talking about the "Polish fanatics," and to puzzle over the Germans' inability to capture the defenders and seize the munitions depot that was granted Poland by treaty.

FOUND TRAVELLING SLOW

As the German Gestapo (secret police) and the troops clamped down further restrictions and Danzig became a locked-up city, I decided to leave. The Gestapo said they had "no objection" to my going, but still it took an entire day to get a pass.

By way of Kalthos, on the Danzig side of East Prussia, I finally reached Marlenburg. Three German troops already were in charge and I had some difficulty with examination of my passport and questioning of the Gestapo pass because it gave no specific permission to travel.

Eventually, I was passed through and onto the direct route to Riga. On the trip here I saw much open

military activity throughout East Prussia.

To-day, when word came to Riga that the white flag had been raised over Westerplatte, these Poles and recent arrivals from Danzig took the news with a mixture of skepticism and relief that the uneven struggle was ended.

WAR HELPS MAPMAKERS

New York, Sept 11.

The ill wind in Europe is blowing a lot of American dollars into the pockets of American map makers and sellers. Reichsführer Hitler's invasion of Poland on Sept. 1 caught map makers empty handed, so to speak. Andrew McNally of Rand, McNally & Company said, but the presses are working at top speed to give Americans something to stick little red pins in.

"In the first 24 hours of the war," Mr. McNally said, "our stock was completely exhausted. We sold map of Europe, maps of Poland, of Germany and France, as well as atlases. We sold more maps than we had sold since 1918."

Moreover, he said, the Company sold out the maps it imports from Germany and England. Everything went as the guns boomed and men marched.

McNally said his Company's latest map, which probably will be ready for distribution in a week, will show in detail the fortifications of the western front—France's Maginot Line and Germany's Siegfried Line.

The outbreak of the war caught map makers with low stocks because Herr Hitler's policy had engendered a certain hesitancy in map publishers. Boundaries had been changing from month to month.

Map making is a slow process. It involves the drawing, and an expensive and delicate engraving process. In the weeks between the time the drawing is started and the finished map comes off the press, the map may be obsolete.

ARMY CRICKET TEAMS

The following teams have been selected to represent the Army against the I.R.C. on Saturday:

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AID FOR REFUGEES FROM NAZIS

Washington, Sept. 6.

Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, said the Government was considering every means of going forward with its program for the relief of German refugees, despite the war.

He said it was likely that the President's conference on refugees scheduled for next month would be held regardless.

Mr. Hull conferred with Myron C. Taylor, American representative on the Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees. Mr. Taylor went to the White House for luncheon with the President after his talk with Mr. Hull.

Mr. Taylor, former chairman of the United States Steel Corporation, said he could not comment on the conversation. War has raised several important questions regarding the refugee work. One is whether the Berlin Government will continue to permit Jewish young people to leave Germany since their services may be required in war work.

Another is how to get Jewish refugees across the Atlantic in view of the necessity for evacuating Americans and of the shutdown of many steamship services, particularly the German lines.

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TO-DAY'S STRANGE STORY OF REAL PEOPLE.

RANSOM FOR LINCOLN'S CORPSE

BY VINCENT TOWNE

In the Winter of 1876 the chief of police of Springfield, Ill., was told by a woman that she overheard certain criminals plot to open the tomb of Abraham Lincoln, steal his coffin, sink it in the Sangamon River and offer its return for \$200,000 ransom. Additional guards were immediately placed around the mausoleum of the martyr-President and the plot was thus frustrated for the time being.

Eight months later Patrick D. Tyrrell, of the United States Secret Service, learned of a similar plot from Lewis C. Swegles, then being used by the Government detectives as a "stool-pigeon" or roper." The ransom, according to Swegles, was to be the same as before, \$200,000. Certain St. Louis men whose real names could not be determined, were said to be parties to the plot.

SELECTED AS ACCOMPLICE

Swegles, detailed to keep in touch with the conspirators, later reported that he had been chosen to help carry out the ghoulish work. In fact, he stated that the details had been intrusted to him — that he had been instructed to obtain a wagon, in which the leaden casket was to be smuggled out of Springfield by relays of horses to the sand dunes of northern Indiana. Here the martyr-President's remains were to be buried that the shifting sands might at once obliterate the wagon tracks and other surface indications of the crime.

PLANNED WISELY

Swegles reported that the ghouls planned to take careful measurements of the distance between the place of burial and the nearest tree, in order that there should be no difficulty in disinterment after the ransom should be paid. A convicted counterfeiter, of a dozen aliases, but generally known as Ben Boyd, and who was then serving a term in the United States Penitentiary, was said to have been selected to carry on negotiations for the ransom. Boyd's freedom, it was alleged, would be one of the conditions under which the body would be returned.

That Boyd might prove to the authorities that he had accurate knowledge of the whereabouts of the corpse, it was decided that a page of some foreign newspaper was to be raggedly torn in half, one fragment being left in the Lincoln tomb, where it might be found when the body was missed, and the other being held by Boyd. He was to let it be known that he could solve the mystery if given a pardon and to produce his claims he was to produce the missing half of the newspaper page, thus demonstrating to the authorities without doubt his connection with the affair.

DATE OF CRIME CHOSEN

Continuous reports from Swegles indicated that he was in close confidence with the conspirators. Early in November he warned the Secret Service men that the night of Tuesday, November 7, 1876, had been chosen for the crime this, date being that of the Hayes-Tilden election. That particular time was selected because it was believed that the excitement incident to the receiving of election returns would shield the ghouls from any possible attention. The Secret Service men planned to hide in the tomb and allow the ghouls to actually steal the body before pouncing upon them, but the dead President's son, Robert T. Lincoln, who had been taken into the confidence of the detectives, protested against their allowing the plot to proceed to the point where profane hands might actually be laid upon his father's coffin. So it was agreed that the criminals should be caught in the tomb while endeavouring to open the grave.

LEAVE CHICAGO

The detectives' accomplice, Swegles, reported that he and two of the conspirators would leave Chicago on the evening before election day and Tyrrell, the Secret Service operative, who had unearthed the case saw his "stoolpigeon" with two determined-looking men jump aboard the Alton train leaving Chicago at 9 P.M. With two detectives Tyrrell boarded the same express and the six men at opposite ends of the train arrived at Springfield that night.

Election day that year was dark and gloomy, and by 6 o'clock the blackness of night had fallen over the cemetery. The sarcophagus containing the body of the President lay in a catacomb at the north end of a monumental structure, at whose southern extremity, 175 feet distant, lay Memorial Hall. The detectives selected the hall as their hiding place. They had the promise of Swegles that at the proper psychological moment he was to leave the catacomb, presumably to fetch the horse and wagon, but on his way around the base of the hall was to come to the door of Memorial Hall and give the detectives a countersign.

GHOULS EXAMINE HALL

After hiding in Memorial Hall for two hours the detectives saw the flare of a bull's-eye lantern flash through the grating of the iron door leading into the outer world. The ghouls were making an examination of the interior of the hall, but, satisfied with the superficial examination, did not attempt to enter. The next moment they hurried around the base of the monument to the catacomb and again the detectives were left in darkness.

After what seemed an interminable wait, the countersign was whispered through the bars. The detectives opened the grated door and went cautiously around the hill, drawing



their revolvers as they advanced. Going to the door of the catacomb they found that the staple containing the lock had been filed off and that the iron door stood ajar.

Tyrrell leading the detectives, called on whomsoever was within to surrender, but there was no answer. Finally Tyrrell led the way into the tomb. Groping about he found no one. Lighting a match, he saw the sarcophagus battered to pieces and the leaden casket all ready for removal. Tools were scattered over the floor, but the ghouls had fled.

Swegles had reported that the two men who had accompanied him to the tomb were counterfeiters, known as Hughes and Mullen. After ten days Tyrrell ran these men down and had them sent to the penitentiary for a year on the charge of robbery and larceny. Their counsel charged that the Secret Service men had "framed up a job" on them in order to break up a counterfeiting conspiracy in which they were implicated.

The whole affair was fraught with mysteries which no one to this day has been able to solve.

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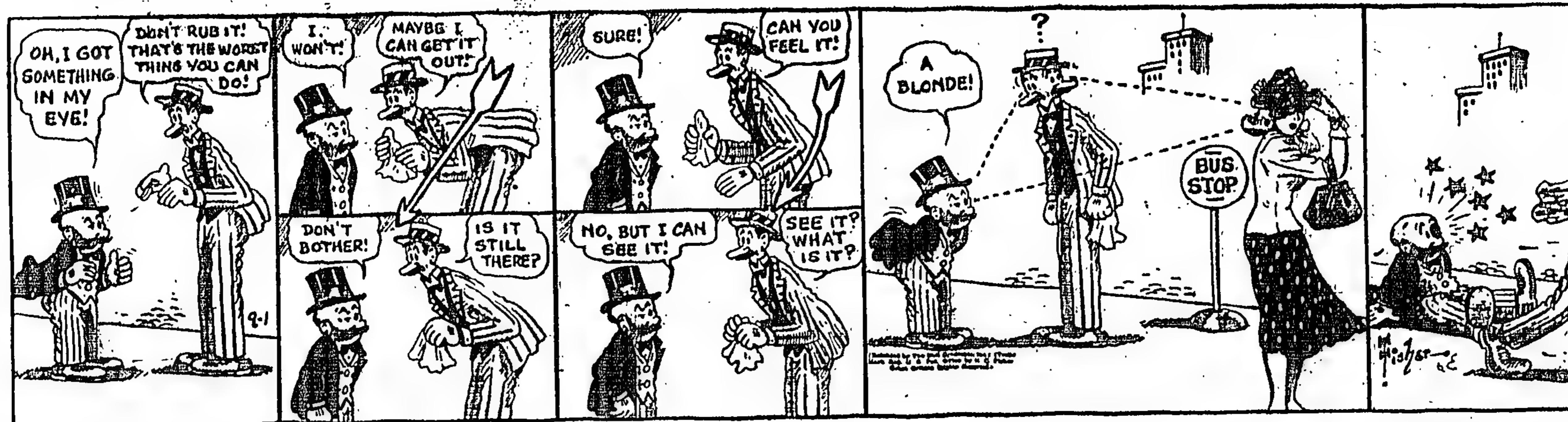
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Fox-Trots—A Little Bit Later On; Sing Me A Swing Song....Chick Webb & His Orchestra.

Tango—Siempre Unidos; El Que A Hierro Mata....Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro.

Fox-Trots—Ol' Man Mose; I'm Gonna Clap My Hands....Nat Gonella & His Georgians.

Fox-Trots—Jungle Drums; Back Bay Shuffle....Artie Shaw & His Orchestra.

Waltz—The Girl You Used To Be (film 'Mr. Dodd takes the Air'); Quickstep—Am I In Love? (film 'Mr. Dodd takes the Air')....Victor Silvester & His Ballroom Orch.

Blues—When The Swallows Nest Again....Joe Loss & His Orch.

Waltz—The Dance Goes On: (from 'Over She Goes')....Mantovani & His Tipica Orchestra.

Tango—My Lost Love; Quickstep—Yours an education....Maxwell Stewart's Ballroom Melody.

Fox-Trot—Put Me Behind Bars; Slow Fox-Trot—Roses in December (film 'Life of the Party')....Carroll Gibbons & the Savoy Ho-

Peter Dawson
And Elizabeth
Schumann

tel Orpheans.
Waltz—Waltz of the Gipsies ('London Rhapsody'); Fox-Trot—Ten Pretty Girls....Ronnie Munro & His Orchestra.
Fox-Trots—A Rendezvous. With A Dream (film 'Poppy'); The State Of My Heart....Maurice Winnick & His Orchestra.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal; Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Musical Comedy Selections. "The Gold Diggers of 1933"—Selection....The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra with Vocal Chorus.
"C. B. Cochran's 1930 Revue"—Vocal Gems....Light Opera Company.
"Glamorous Night" Selection (Novello)....Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra.
8.30 p.m.—Concert Waltzes and Tangos.
Tangos—Buen Amigo; Night On The La Plata....Juan Llossas & His Tango Orchestra.
Waltzes—Under The Rainbow (Waldteufel); North Sea Waves (Krannig)....Orchestra Mascotte.
Tangos—Dreams In Spring; The Tango Of My Heart....Robert Renard Dance Orchestra.
Archibald Joyce Waltz Medley. Intro: Passing of Salome; A thousand Kisses; When the birds began to sing; Dreaming; Songe d'Automne. Charles Ancliffe Waltz Medley. Intro: Night of Gladness; Sky Glances; Smiles then kisses; Temptation....Viennese Waltz Orch.
8.55 p.m.—Songs by Peter Dawson (Bass Baritone).
Sylvia (Speaks)....with Organ accomp. by Herbert Dawson.
Young Briton's Heritage (Hennessy)....with Piano accomp.
9.05 p.m.—Studio—Comments on Recent Events.
9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.30 p.m.—Beethoven—Sonata in C Sharp Minor ("Moonlight"), Op. 27, No. 2. Egon Petri (Piano).
9.45 p.m.—Songs by Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano).
I'll Play the Innocent Country Maid (Die Fledermaus—Strauss); Wo Du Hingehst, Da Will Auch Ich Hingehen, Op. 8 (Hildach); Lehns Deline Wang' An Meine Wang' (Heine-Jensen).
9.55 p.m.—Violin Solos by Efrem Zimbalist.
Carmen—Fantasy (Bizet—arr. Sarasate); Romance In G (Beethoven, Op. 40).
10.10 p.m.—Tchaikowsky—Symphony No. 5 In E Minor, Op. 61. New Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Landon Ronald.
11 p.m.—Close down.

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DOUBLING IN RHYTHM

Our old friend and enthusiastic reporter, William D. Lee of Evanston, Ill., has another hand. He writes: "I had just lost a game contract vulnerable due to a 5-6 trump division of the adverse trumps. My left-hand opponent added a spoonful of castor oil to my already bitter tea by saying that the fifth Ace isn't going so well tonight. So up comes the following hand, and while the bidding was deliberately screwy the hand is a pip:

West, Dealer.
Both sides vulnerable

♦ A 6 3 2

♥ A 5 3

♦ 2

♦ Q J 8 4

♦ K Q J 10

♥ K Q 10 2

♦ 10

♦ A K 10 8

♦ 9 8

♥ 7 6

♦ A H Q J 6 5 5 3

♦ 8

Mr. Lee

The bidding:

West North East South

1♦ Pass Pass SNT

Dbl. Redbl. Pass 44

Dbl. Redbl. Pass 40

Dbl. Redbl. Pass Pass

Pass

According to Mr. Lee, West's double of the three notrump was quite loud, his double of the four notrump still louder, but his double of the four diamonds slightly softer voice. Mr. Lee explains his partner's reasoning on the theory that North knew that when he (Mr. Lee) bid notrump, he either had his values or a suit he could run to safely.

HIGH CARD VALUES
OF THE
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ACE 13
KING 12
QUEEN 11
JACK 10

TOTAL VALUE OF HIGH CARD
AVERAGE HIGH CARD

ANSWER: Your correct bid is two notrump. If your partner has a good overall, you may be able to make three notrump. In any event your hand is worth a bid.

Score: 100% for two notrump, 80% for pass, 0 for any other bid.

QUESTION NO. 227

Merwin Maier is your partner. Both sides are vulnerable and you hold:

♦ 7 3
♥ A 8
♦ K Q 10 8 6
♦ A 7 5

The bidding:

West South East North

1♦ Pass 100 Pass

2♦ Pass 50 50

6♦ 64 Dbl. Pass

Pass Pass

What is your opening lead?

(Answer tomorrow.)

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AN EXCELLENT football game should be witnessed on the Club ground at 4 p.m. this afternoon when the Combined Chinese team meet a Rest of the Colony team in aid of the British Fund for the relief of Distress in China.

LAWN BOWLS

REVISION OF RULES DISCUSSED

At the Council meeting of the Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association held yesterday it was decided that a sub-committee be formed for the revision of the present rules.

Dates for the various outstanding competitions were fixed and the season will officially close on Saturday October 28, when the Aitkenhead Shield Competition will be played at Kowloon Cricket Club.

Dr. J. T. Smalley was in the chair and was supported by Messrs. R. P. Phillips (Hon. Secretary), U. M. Omar (Craigengower), V. Chittenden (K.F.C.), J. Russell (H.F.C.), J. N. Wong (Kowloon Tong), W. Mair (P.R.C.), A. W. Grinnell (Civil Service), J. V. Ramsey (Kowloon Docks), W. Melrose (T.R.C.), J. McCutcheon (Prison Officers), S. M. Rumjahn (Indian R.C.), C. H. Basto (Recreio), S. Deacon (Electric), E. Kern (K.C.C.) and J. C. Gill (K.B.G.C.).

The following players were nominated to select the international teams for the Gutierrez International series, with powers to co-opt two additional members:

England:—(B. W. Bradbury).

Scotland:—(J. C. Brown).

Ireland:—(W. Mulcahy).

Wales:—(F. J. Jones).

Portugal (C. H. Basto).

India:—(A. M. Omar).

Switzerland:—(C. S. Rosselet).

Malaya:—(M. R. Abbas).

Australia (E. C. Fincher).

China:—(J. Pau).

Philippines (V. N. Atienza).

As there were 11 teams, it was decided that there would be three first round matches and that the allocation of greens be left to the competition sub-committee.

REPLAY DECIDED UPON

The Second Division match between Craigengower and Civil Service Cricket Club, takes place on Saturday.

The Aitkenhead Shield between Hong Kong and Kowloon will be played on the K.C.C. greens on Saturday, October 28.

REVISION OF RULES

Before the meeting adjourned, Mr. J. Russell suggested that a small sub-committee be elected to revise or review the rules of the Association. He suggested that no more than one team from each club be allowed to participate in each division of the League.

Mr. Chittenden proposed that six players of every club participating in

the First, Second and Third Divisions of the League be registered.

It was decided to leave the matter in the hands of the sub-committee empowered to revise the rules.

Messrs. J. Russell, A. W. Grinnell, C. M. Basto, V. Chittenden and R. P. Phillips (Hon. Secretary) were elected to revise the rules.

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Here's Luck!

RAPIER'S SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY

Race No. 1

ROSE ELECT
EVE OF HARVEST
BEAR CLAW

Outsider:—Humdrum Eve.

Race No. 2

ROSE EMILY
FACTORITE
LOVELY STAR

Outsider:—Romeo.

Race No. 3

BLUE EXPRESS
MOONLIGHT VIEW
AVON

Outsider:—Red Feather.

Race No. 4

GOLD COIN
CLOWNER
SYLVANDALE

Outsider:—Sunlight View.

Race No. 5

TALKATIVE
KING'S PARADE
NATIONAL LIBERTY

Outsider:—Horiot.

Race No. 6

POTENATE
JUST IN TIME
GLADIATOR

Outsider:—Jober.

Race No. 7

DEVONIAN
CRIFFEL
DERBY DAY

Outsider:—Aztec.

Race No. 8

SOME HOPE
MATADOR
GOG

Outsider:—Ebony Idol.

DAILY DOUBLE

TALKATIVE AND DEVONIAN.

TO-DAY'S RUGBY

The following are the teams taking part in to-day's Army Rugby trials at Sookunpoo at 3 p.m. and 4 p.m.:

Team "A"—Lieut. Oway, R.E.; Sapr. Artingstall, R.E., L/Cpl. Waite, R.E., L/Cpl. Boe, R.S. and L/Sgt. Lang, R.A.O.C.; Lieut. Douglas, R.S. (Capt.) and 2/Lt. Dunlop, M.C., R.S.; Sergt. Pursey, R.S., L/Cpl. Sutherland, R.S. and L/Cpl. Sheldrake, R.E.; 2/Lt. Pinkerton, R.S. and Corp. Brinkley, R.E.; Corp. Davis, R.E., Lieut. Ridsdale, R.N.R. and Capt. Duke, R.S.

Team "B"—Lieut. Lomax, 8th. H.R.A., Lieut. Belton, R.A.O.C., Lieut. Skipworth, 8th. H.R.A., Bomdr. Marsh, 8th. H.R.A. and Gunn. Richards, 8th. H.R.A.; Lieut. Hook, 8th. H.R.A. (Capt.) and Bomdr. Smythe, 8th. H.R.A.; Pte. Bouston, R.A.O.C., Lieut. Hewitt, Mdx. and L/Bdr. Evans, 5th. A.A.R.A.; Pte. Mohan, R.A.M.C. and Pte. Berry, Mdx.; Sergt. Burrell, Mdx.; Sergt. Heaton, R.A.O.C. and Pte. Gilligan, Seaforth, H. Details.

Team "C"—Gunn, Easterbrook, 5th. A.A.; L/Cpl. Smith, G. Seaford, H.D., Pte. Bickerly, R.A.M.C., L/Sgt. Coughlan, 5th. A.A. (Capt.) and Sigm. Willis, R.C.S.; Pte. Groves, Mdx. and L/Cpl. Leach, R.A.O.C.; Gunn, Clarke, 5th. A.A.R.A., Corp. Edge, R.A.M.C. and Gnr. Whitehead, 5th. A.A.R.A.; Gunn, Cook, 8th. H.R.A. and Gunn, McDermott, 8th. H.R.A.; L/Cpl. Gilham, Mdx., L/Cpl. Ross, R.S. and L/Cpl. Dunsmore, R.S.

Team "D"—Sigm. Hill, R.C.S.; Corp. Husband, R.C.S., L/Cpl. Pleton, R.E., Sapr. Martin, R.E. and Pte. Cody, R.S.; L/Cpl. Moggridge, Mdx. and Pte. Gracie, R.S.; Sapr. Wilcox, R.E., Sapr. Killean, R.E. and Pte. Hurlock, Mdx.; Pte. Lever, Mdx. and L/Cpl. Beaford, R.C.S.; L/Cpl. Foley, R.E., 2/Lt. Bartholomew, R.S. (Capt.) and Sapr. Hughes, R.E.

Reserves (To be present and ready to play)—Sapr. Jones, R.E., L/Cpl. Coombe, R.S., 2/Lt. Gibson, R.S., Sapr. Bear, R.E., L/Cpl. Lane, R.S. and Corp. Nealon, R.S.

Referees—Lt. Pirie, R.S., and C.S.M. Hilton, R.E.

ARMY SPORTLIGHT

By "SQUADDY"

MOST of the Army sides made their season's debut in local League football over the week-end with a mixed degree of success. Six teams won their games, two drew and seven lost. In four cases Army teams were opposed to other Army sides so the net result is not so unfavourable as it first appears.

One of the most fancied sides in Third Division, 24th Heavy Battery, R.A., went down rather unexpectedly to the civilian side Electric. However, they were far from disgraced, as the game was very even and the winning goal was only scored just before the end. I do not think they played nearly as good football as they were playing at the end of last season, the lack of their old dash being very noticeable.

I did a good deal of snooping round the grounds trying to spot any players who are likely to make names for themselves this season. I was not so successful as I anticipated, but there is not much doubt that many new names will be seen in the Army team during the season.

Hossack of the Scots I think will retain his place, but will do so at centre forward, not as an outside right, the position he is at present filling in his battalion side. The only other members of the Scots side who may earn a trial are Fraser, Nay-Smith and Falconer. The latter will have to compete with Bright of the Middlesex for the centre half position and I favour the latter.

Sheehan the "Diehard" stalwart of course has made the left back position his own and I do not anticipate anything but an injury keeping him out of the side.

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ONE of the main problems seems to be to find a good goalkeeper this season. Duncan of the Scots is not playing for the battalion side apparently, and he may have decided to give up football. Minshull of the R.A. might be considered for this position, but too long in junior football has not done him any good and he has a lot of faults to remedy.

Wing half backs seem pretty easy to find and one who impressed me greatly was Hills of 24 Battery. He is fast and a sure tackler, but wants to combat a tendency of trying to be too tricky. Rides of the Ordnance will again be available and should be a certainty for the Army side at left half.

Difficulty is going to be experienced with the selection of forwards. I presume Courtney of the Middlesex will be out of the game for some time owing to his unfortunate accident and the Army have thus lost the "brains" of their attack. In the absence of anyone better I think Duffield will be outside left. If it is decided to play Hossack at outside right Munton of R.A.O.C. might well be brought in at centre forward as he is undoubtedly one of the best, if not the best Army centre forward here. He would have obtained his place last season but for an injury. Pelham the Royal Engineer forward could be given a trial in one of the inside positions. He is a hard worker but his small stature is a handicap.

Hills of R.A.S.C. should definitely be included in any trial, but as he plays at right back or right half it may be difficult to fit him into the side. Glen the Service Corps outside right might well gain his place, but he is handicapped at present, not being able to give of his best through playing with inferior inside forwards.

At the end of last season it looked as though the Army would have a good team this year, but many of the players have now left and the prospects are not quite so bright at the present time.

NEW new names appear in the Army Cricket sides selected for next Saturday's opening games. Both sides (Continued on Page 18)

WINNING GOLF. . . .

ONE sure way to improve your golf game is to make a resolution that you will practice more often during the coming year. But making a resolution and keeping it for a full year is another thing, so in my own case I am making a resolution to keep the resolution to practice more—and I'm going to keep them both.

RESOLUTIONS are fine things if they are lived up to—this one about practising golf may give some of our brother golfers some difficulty. They may feel that golf cannot be practised when there is a cold wind blowing.

But some of the finest practice possible can be done during the winter months—and right in your home, too. Think back over your play of the last season and study the worst part of your game—where were most of your missed shots—what made you take those high scores?

The chances are that the short game did as much as anything else to keep your handicap higher than it should be. Some while ago I recommended a little serious putting practice on the rug—putting on a rug requires a keen touch because the rug is usually much faster than the average green. So I

A WARNING ABOUT INDOOR PRACTICE

feel that my mentioning practising the putts again is not too much repetition, because of the great benefit this practice can be for your game.

But the details of putting practice will have to come in a future article

By LAWSON LITTLE

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—too many of us are worrying about our long game, and during the winter is one of the best times to GROOVE your swing.

WORD OF WARNING: There are several elementary rules governing the correct or rather the safe way to swing a club in your living room. First, I would recommend that you tell

the head of the family, your wife, just what you intend to do. Then, after you have put forth convincing arguments that you will be able to do this practice without damage to the furniture, proceed in a quiet, unhurried manner to make the following arrangements.

Be sure to push small tables and chairs out of the path of the club-head. If there is a chandelier overhead, place a small slip of paper directly under it.

If you address an object directly under the overhanging light, the light will be perfectly safe from the club-head both on the backward and forward swings—unless your swing is most unorthodox.

Great care must be exercised in avoiding the chandelier, for, not only does the shattered glass prove dangerous, but it is expensive—and, of course, the lecture from the boss should be avoided at all costs.

Small lamps on tables seem to have

SPORTS PARADE

THE recommendation of Mr. V. C. Chittenden that six First Division players should be registered for each club at the commencement of the season will no doubt prevent advantage being taken by senior players of assisting junior teams in danger of relegation.

But that apparently will not get to the root of things. If a club ever felt it necessary to resort to the use of senior players in junior teams they would still have the services of the other six regular players to do so.

A far better course would be the inclusion in the rules of one defining first division players—that is, the number of matches he would be entitled to play in a senior division before being barred from Junior games.

Another point that the committee would do well to consider is the habit of players playing for more than one club during the season. This season there has been no instances of players doing so but there were in past seasons.

There should be no rule against permitting a player of a club playing for another after the commencement of the season but before doing so he should apply for permission to transfer. The Lawn Bowls Association would not normally withhold such permission, if it were satisfied that the motive of the transfer was honest.

SHEK-O SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

The Senior Championship of Shek-O Club was played on Sunday, over 36 holes and resulted as follows:

1st: Major A. S. Johnstone—69 plus 73=142.
2nd: T. A. Pearce—72 plus 72=144.
3rd: O. E. C. Marton—73 plus 72=145.
4th: R. Young—74 plus 74=148.
The result of the morning Bogey Pool was a tie between the following:
Major A. S. Johnstone—69 minus 2=67.
J. Stenersen—75 minus 8=67.
The afternoon Bogey Pool was won by R. R. de L. Liesching, 75 minus 8=67.

ARMY SPOTLIGHT

(Continued from Page 17)

are playing against the Indian Recreation Club, the first eleven on the latter's ground and the second eleven at Sookunpoo.

A surprise inclusion is L/Sgt. Dilnot in the first eleven. He has a good reputation, however, and it will be interesting to see how he gets on. Q.M.S. Patterson who played regularly for the second eleven last year has stepped up to the first eleven in this match.

The second eleven is fairly strong, Captains Lawrence, and Dewar being included. Major Harvey and Major Templer are also in the side.

an unnatural attraction for the head of a golf club, so it is wise to see that they are well out of the way.

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If the rug is an expensive one, one that should not become divot eaten, and you feel that you have not progressed enough in the golf game to guarantee that the rug will be safe, the door mat serves as a fine bumper upon which to swing the club.

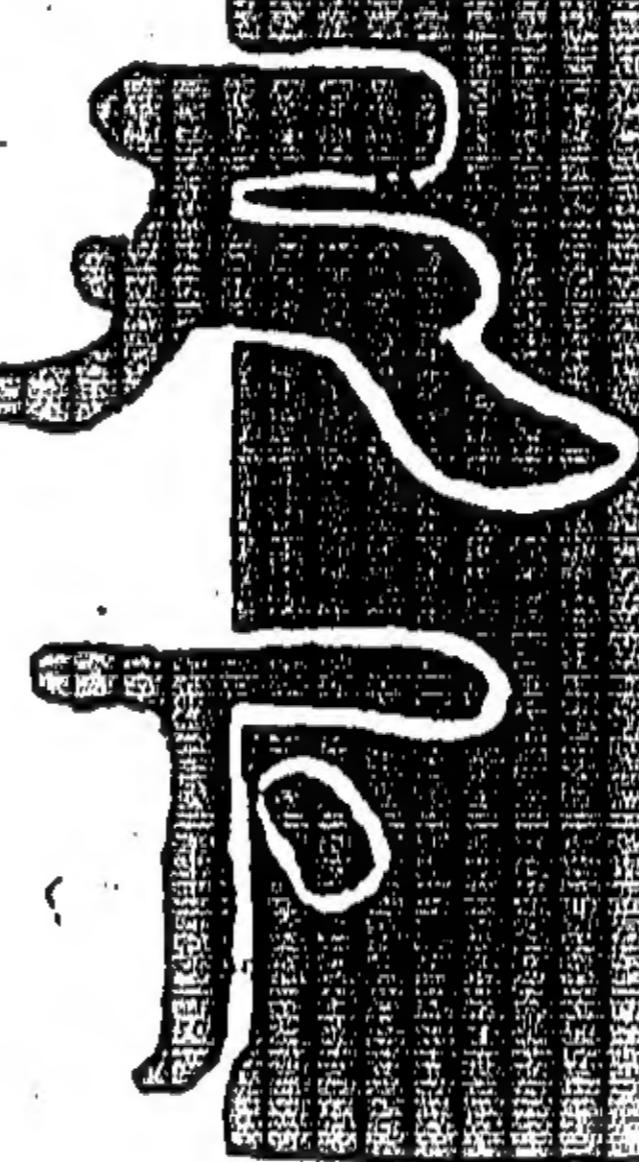
Finally, sound a warning to the household—tell them to watch where they are going. It might prove serious if someone walks into one of your improved practice swings.

The above rules were developed by sad experience, and one by one. I cannot guarantee them to be infallible, but dad and I haven't broken anything in the house for six years—before then we did not have these rules, and, well, we learn from experience.

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Bower Road (Mitarboda)	297
Mainland	Feet.
Talmoshan	8124
Kowloon Peak	1971

VIRULENT ATTACK ON SOVIET IN ITALIAN JOURNAL

Rome, To-day.
A VIOLENT ATTACK on Russia, with a special section to Marshal Voroshilov, the Red Army leader, is contained in Marshal Balbo's newspaper. The newspaper rebukes certain Italian newspapers for favourable references to Russia when the German-Soviet pact was signed.

CRASH INTO RICKSHAS

MR. A. L. DALZIEL, OF NO. 26, MODY ROAD, REPORTED TO THE POLICE LAST NIGHT THAT WHILST DRIVING HIS CAR, NO. 5110, ALONG NATHAN ROAD, HE CRASHED INTO TWO RICKSHAS.

He explained that near Middle Road he turned to look towards a friend who had waved from the sidepath. Then he saw two rickshaws in his path.

He immediately applied his brakes but was unable to avoid a collision.

The ricksha coolies sustained slight injuries.

NAZIS BEHEAD MAN WHO REVOLTED

London, To-day.
A man found guilty of revolting against Germany was beheaded yesterday morning, according to the German radio. — Reuter.

"Fascists," it says, "are born anti-Communists and we are determined to remain so."

"We demand not one grain of esteem, not one ounce of sympathy for the Bolsheviks."

"For us they are and always will be regarded as professional frauds, models of bestiality and living monsters in the service of the most infamous degradation history records."

Marshal Balbo's newspaper also objects to a sympathetic personal sketch of Marshal Voroshilov in a Rome magazine.—Reuter.

SINKIANG STORY OFFICIALLY DENIED

London, To-day.

The Chinese Embassy in London has denied that large numbers of Soviet troops have entered Sinkiang, the north-west province of China which borders on Russia.—Reuter.

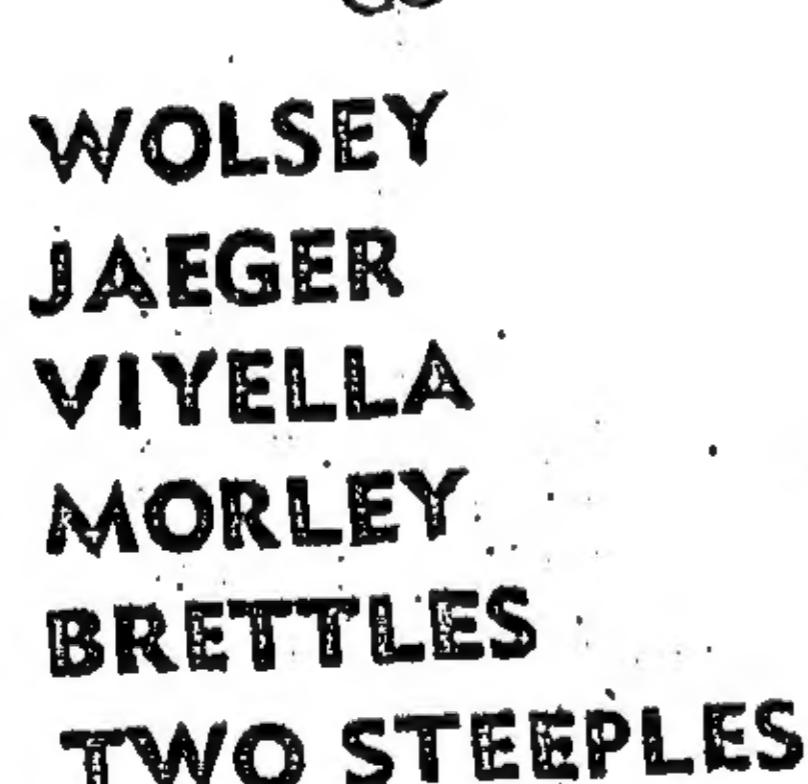
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CHIANG KAI-SHEK'S MESSAGE

Chungking, To-day.
"Before China wins the final victory there can be no genuine peace," declared Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek in a manifesto on National Independence Day to-day.

"Until the enemy experience the full weight of China's strength of resistance we can hope for no true awakening from them," the Generalissimo.

Reminding the people that the war of resistance will be long and arduous, he exhorted them not to fear hardships or hope for speed success.

"We must not hope for the early conclusion of the war, nor the immediate withdrawal of the enemy, nor their abandonment of aggression right away."

It is apparent that once national consciousness has been aroused, no outside force can impede its growth.

China has already built a firm foundation diplomatically, economically and militarily, and success depends now to a large measure upon the determination and spirit of sacrifice of the Chinese people. The spirit of struggle will hereafter be more important than more military strength.

The whole nation must shatter the enemy's political and economic offensives in addition to their military advance. A spirit of loyalty to the State must be fostered at the front, in the rear and in enemy-occupied areas. Guerrilla warfare must be intensified. Shops, factories, mines, warehouses and other establishments operated by the enemy in the occupied areas and all communications including railways, highways, telegraphs, telephones, and stations must be destroyed. Sabotage activities must be continued daily so that the enemy can not enjoy a single day's peace, nor set their hands to any of their economic reconstruction schemes. — Central News.

Chungking, To-day.
Sir Archibald Clark Kerr paid a courtesy call on Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Minister of Foreign Affairs, yesterday.—Central News.

A motorist, Mr. R. D. Bullock, of No. 12, Duke Street, Kowloon Tong, collided with a Chinese cyclist at 3.55 p.m. yesterday on Nathan Road, near Austin Road. The cyclist, 18-year-old Yim Lai, was sent to the Kowloon Hospital for treatment to injuries to face and arms.

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